Halifax Amateur Radio Club Minutes of the General Meeting 15 January 2020

1. Welcome to the HARC monthly meeting for January 15, 2020:

The meeting was called to order by President VA1CC Brian at 1930 hours.

2. Acceptance of the Agenda:

A motion was made to accept the agenda by Fraser, VE1WO, seconded by Dick, VE1AI, motion carried.

- **3. Roll Call:** 27 members and visitors were in attendance.
- **4. Report of any Silent Keys:** None to report.

5. Approval of Minutes of November 2019 as printed in the Reflector:

A motion was made by Don, VE1DTR, seconded by Doug, VE1LDL, motion carried.

6. Correspondence: 3 memberships arrived for Jim, the trailer license tabs arrived as well as QST magazine.

7. President's Report:

A new technical committee has been established, Don, VE1DTR Station will be giving a report. There are two Chairmanship positions that need to be filled, namely the Flea Market in May and Field Day in June. Keep an eye on the Reflector and the HARC website for other items.

8. Treasurer's Report: Bill, VA1ALW gave a detailed report of the monthly income and expenses. A motion was made by Bill, VA1ALW to accept the report. Doug, VE1LDL seconded the motion, motion carried.

9. Other Executive Reports:

10. Committee, Event and Special Projects Reports:

- 1. <u>Membership Report</u>: Jim, VE1PPA, reported for 2020 there are 38 Full, 2 Associate, 4 Life and 18 associate (complimentary)members for a total of 62 members. Compared to last year at this time full membership is down 63 members, please send in dues. Thank you! Also to report, Robert Steenweg, VE1CHW is a new member here tonight, welcome Robert!
- 2. <u>SAR/EMO</u>: Dave George, VE1AJP was absent, nothing to report tonight from George, VE1CAW.
- 3. <u>Station Manager Report</u>: Don, VE1DTR solicited input for creating a new Technical Committee. They are Don, VE1DTR, Fraser, VE1WO, Jason, VE1PYE, David George, VE1AJP, Greg, VE1GFX and Neil, VE1YZ. A list of 19 projects was created with first being updated security. A full list will be presented next meeting with descriptions, priority and target completion dates. Dick, VE1AI reported that several hams in the club need assistance with getting antennas up. This was well received. The technical committee will add it to the list! Some list items are weather permitting!

4. Other reports:

MMA (Maritime Museum of the Atlantic): Dick, VE1AI reported that this is now the off season and that there are 6 Museum staff that would like to get their licenses!

QSL Bureau: A 16 lb. box of cards came in, some 10,000 cards! Murray is busy getting them distributed.

<u>HATS</u>: Gary Murphy, VA1GGM was not present, Scott, VE1QD reported there is a meeting this January 22 at Station 50.

11. Old Business:

- 1. <u>2nd reading of Budget</u>: explained and presented to members for any questions, a brief discussion was held with motion made to accept by Bill, VE1MR, seconded by Scott, VE1QD. Passed unanimously
- 2. <u>Digital Repeater</u>: Jason reported that the digital repeater is in his basement awaiting better weather and work at PSR site. The 6 meter repeater is running from Jason's QTH also awaiting better weather to do antenna work.
- 3. <u>Flea Market Chair/Field Day Chair</u>: The Flea Market chair responsibilities were presented by Brian, VA1CC, the Lower Sackville site is already secured. John VE1JMB with assistants will be leading the effort. Thanks John!

Field Day site of Citadel Hill will be explored by the club. Sheldon, VE1GPY has been very successful from there activating Parks on the Air. Dick, VE1AI and Brian, VA1CC will investigate.

12. Round Table - Member News: the brief sharing of important personal news:

The Fusion Repeater is working, Jason, VE1PYE reported. Roger, VA1RST presented the QRP labs QCX cw transceiver. A surplus equipment list discussed and will be e-mailed out to membership, lots of Collins equipment, list will have suggested bid amounts.

- 13. 50:50 Draw: \$18.50 is the amount tonight, Sheldon, VE1GPY was the winner!
- **14. Motion for Adjournment:** Scott, VE1QD motioned, meeting adjourned 2015 hours.

Respectfully submitted by Roger Stein, VA1RST HARC Secretary