





## Richmond County Amateur Radio Club

October 8, 2016 Meeting Minutes:

The President, Mark Dawkins KJ4IKQ, called the meeting to order. There were 11 members and 1 guest in attendance. The guest was David L. Muse, KD4FEB, 510 Minturn Ave., Hamlet, NC. His email address is dl\_muse@hotmail.com. Please add him to your email listings. The Secretary read the minutes of the September 10, 2016 meeting and there were no corrections or additions. The Secretary reported a balance of \$1421.33 in the BBT after a deposit of \$10.00 and a check for \$35.05 for the K4RNC Qso cards for the Seaboard Festival.

Under old business, the Nominating Committee recommend the following members for club officers for next month's elections. Ben Setzer, WA4BCS, for President; James Bullard, KC4ZIE, for Vice-President, and Allan Brown, W4EAB, for Sec./Treasurer.

Plans for the Seaboard Festival on the last Saturday, the 29th, were discussed with several members volunteering to provide tents, tables, and radio gear. Ben Setzer also has obtained additional hand out material from ARRL. The K4RNC Qsl cards for hand out at the Seaboard Festival were on hand and examples were passed out to the membership.

The membership also voted on the location for the annual Christmas party. The River's Edge in Cheraw received two votes and Capt. Georges on Broad Street received 9 votes. The date has been set as Thursday, December 8, 2016 at 6:00PM. The banquet room will be reserved for this date and time and members are free to order from the menu. Would like to get a head count at the November meeting.

Under new business, Butch Parris announced that the library would be closed on the 12th of November so the membership voted to moved the November meeting up to the 5th of next month.

Also under new business Scott Whitaker, KF4DBW, reported the progress towards recovering our website which had been hacked and taken down by a virus. When the new site is up and running previous material will be uploaded again to the new site. Members will also be requested to used a much harder-to-crack password and will be given advice on this at the appropriate time.

Under new business the Nominating Committee, as provided by the Constitution, presented a written request to remove the two year limitation on serving as the Secretary/Treasurer in order to avoid having to redo debit cards, bank accounts, pin numbers, and post office registration every two years. The elected Sec/Treasurer will serve until he resigns or a new officer is elected in his place. This will require a 2/3 vote at the November meeting. Ballots will be sent out so that all those not able to attend so they can reply via email.

After a presentation by Mark Gibson, N4MQU, of his new radio, there was no further business and the meeting was adjourned.

Thanks for everyone coming out in the storm!!!

Allan Brown / W4EAB Secretary / Treasurer