



## Richmond County Amateur Radio Club

July 9, 2016 Meeting Minutes:

The President, Mark Dawkins KJ4IKQ, called the meeting to order. There were 9 members in attendance. The Secretary read the minutes of the June 11, 2016 meeting. There were no corrections to the minutes. The Secretary reported there was a balance of \$1477.38 in the BBT checking account as of 7/1/16.

Under old business Ben Setzer reported that he had been in contact with the Seaboard Festival and we currently have the same display area, #41, as last year. The festival is scheduled for the last Saturday in October.

The Secretary reported that the club is now affiliated with ARRL website and our original affiliation in 1978 has been reactivated and updated. The original Charter received from ARRL was passed around the meeting. As long as the club maintains 51% ARRL members and the website is updated once a year the club will remain active and listed with ARRL. Member were invited to send shack/personal photos to the Secretary for posting on the club page on ARRL. The club can be viewed by going to [www.arrl.org](http://www.arrl.org). . . . Clubs, and search for "Richmond"

Butch Parris sought information as to the length of the free club membership that was awarded to Scott Whitaker for his repeater activities and service. It was decided to contact Mark Gibson, who was the Secretary at the time and have him research his club minutes.

Mark also reported that it was necessary to get the repeater repaired due to a broken solder joint that was only allowing transmissions with 4 watts. Repairs were quickly made at no charge, thanks to Rusty, and the repeater is back up and running. There was also discussion about the reception of other signals on our repeater frequency but our repeater does not come up due to our tone setting. We will also need to investigate getting the spare repeater repaired so as to have a backup if needed.

In order to authorize future emergency repairs according to the Constitution the club voted to set up a duly authorized business committee consisting of the club officers that have the authority to authorize emergency repairs without club approval in order to get future repairs done without having to wait for a vote from the club membership. The committee will remain in effect for all future club officers.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

Allan Brown / W4EAB  
Secretary / Treasurer