Shore Points Amateur Radio Club Minutes of the meeting held October 16, 2014 at the Brigantine Community Center

The meeting commenced at 7:32 P.M. with the Pledge of Allegiance. Ten voting members and one associate member were present.

The minutes of the previous meeting, held on September 18, 2014, were read by the club secretary, David Holmes. Fred Twist motioned to accept the minutes, Rick Hitchen seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Club Treasurer, Bob Webb then read the financial report for September. There was a complete accounting of all of the club's financial assets in the amount of \$602.86 in cash. Dave motioned to accept the report, Art Holmes seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

The floor was then opened to old business. On the topic of another radio giveaway contest, it was decided that we would do it, that it would follow the same rules as the last contest with modifications being made to account for a single radio being given away and that it would run from November 5, 2014 to January 14 2015 with the drawing being held at our regular club meeting on January 15, 2015.

Vice President Fred Twist, following up on President Gary Paul's instruction to convene a nominating committee for December's election, solicited the members for volunteers to serve on the committee. Rick and Dave volunteered to serve with Fred. Gary motioned to accept the committee, Bob McFadden seconded and the motioned passed.

Attention was again drawn toward the idea of a radio room at the Brigantine Community Center. Chuck Taylor volunteered to speak with John Doring (the acting Brigantine Superintendent of Public Works) and Gary volunteered to get the keys to the upstairs room.

The floor was then opened to new business. Gary announced that he had been beta testing a dual mode (analog/C4FM digital), dual band (70 cm/2 meter) repeater for Yeasu known as the Yeasu Fusion DR-1. Gary then gave a demonstration of the repeater after which he announced that he acquired this beta version of the repeater for \$200.00 and was in a position to sell it to the club for that amount. It was the general consensus of the members present that this unit would make an ideal replacement for the club's aging 440 rig. Before you could say "W2HRW Repeater" the members present started throwing money on the table as donations toward a new club repeater. Bob counted the pile of money and found that it totaled exactly \$200.00, presented it to Gary and the club had a new, state of the art repeater.

At 8:30 P.M. Fred motioned to conclude the meeting, Art seconded and the motion carried. Immediately following the meeting a 50/50 drawing was held. In all the excitement over the club getting a new repeater I neglected to note down who drew the winning ticket or who won, but the club netted \$8.00.