

Shore Points Amateur Radio Club
Minutes of the meeting held July 18, 2013
at the Brigantine Community Center

The meeting commenced at 7:35 P.M with the Pledge of Allegiance. Six voting members, one associate member and one guest were present.

The minutes of the previous meeting, held on June 20, 2013, were read by the club secretary, David Holmes. Club President, Gary Paul, motioned to accept the minutes, Art Holmes seconded and the vote passed unanimously.

Club Treasurer, Bob Webb then read the financial report for June. There was a complete accounting for all of the clubs financial assets and it was concluded that they were in order.

The floor was then opened to old business. Gary commented on the club's participation in the 2013 Field Day event, noting that things ran smoothly and while we didn't break any records or do anything that resulted in any Earth shattering achievements, it was indeed a good weekend that left all who participated with a feeling of satisfaction for a job well done.

The floor was then opened to new business. Gary said the he had spoken with Jim Bennett who had informed him that the club would be allowed to set up a communications center on the second floor of the Community Center. Art Holmes pledged an ADDX EE antenna and the loan of a Kenwood TS 450SAT transceiver to be used in addition to the equipment the club already has on hand. Discussion took place on how the communications center could be used for demonstrations for individuals and groups with the possibility of scheduling regular monthly demonstrations, possibly on one Saturday each month. Talk then turned to publicizing the communications center with suggestions including a sign in the Community Center lobby and advertisements on cable channel 2 and in local newspapers.

Talk then turned to an event called National Night Out to be held on August 6th. It was suggested that the club not participate in this event due to the short notice.

Gary mentioned that a potentiometer in the clubs 440 repeater had crumbled to bits and that maybe it was time to look into replacing it. We discussed whether or not it would be advisable to notify the Repeater Coordinator of our present location as they may wish to change our repeater frequencies. It was pointed out that our antenna height at the Clarion was 30 feet more than at the present location at the Fairfield and that we should look for opportunities to relocate in order to gain additional height.

Bob Webb produced a floppy disk reported to contain a copy of the club's logo and I agreed to check it out and see if I could work with it.

The meeting concluded at 8:25 PM after which a 50/50 raffle was held. Bob Abrams drew the winning ticket which was held by Bob Webb who donated his winnings back to the club allowing the club to net \$12.