Frederick Amateur Radio Club (FARC) Minutes Meeting Minutes for November 16, 2015

Meeting: The club meeting was called to order at 7:14 PM by President Brian Rozelle – AB3RW

Attendees: There were 13 attendees. A List of Attendees is attached to the Minutes.

Last Month's Minutes: Approved as read

New Licenses: None

Upgrades: None

<u>Treasurer's Report:</u> Mark Whitmore who was unable to attend, sent the following report to Emmett Bonner, Secretary: PayPal account - \$140.65; Bank account balance: \$15,815.04 for a total of \$15,955.69. Mark also sent an updated membership list of the club. The Treasurer's report was accepted as read.

New Member Application(s): None.

Old or Ongoing Business: Brian Rozelle reported that the last Fox Hunt was attended by Brian Rozelle, Jeff Fishman, Mike Myers, Herb Palm and Mark Whitmore. One of the transmitters was sending a weak signal. The next Fox Hunt will take place in April and in the Fall.

New Business: Brian Rozelle reminded the members that dues should be paid at the January 2016 meeting. He further stated that elections for club officers will also take place at the January meeting and replacements will be needed for Treasurer and Secretary.

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Jeff Fishman said the date for our next Hamfest will be Saturday, March 19, 2016 assuming this date is acceptable to the fire house officials. The event will take place inside. The Hamfest is in lieu of the regular March meeting. Brian Rozelle announced the dates for license examination sessions for next year. They are: March 19th, June 20th, September 19th and November 21st.

The December meeting will take place at the Airport Restaurant, assuming it is available.

Committee Reports:

-RACES - No report.

-ARES – Jeff Fishman – KB3FIO reported that he received on behalf of the club a \$300 check from the organizers of Gran Fondo. Jeff announced the appointment of a new ARES Assistant Emergency Coordinator, Mike Myers – K3DO. Jeff stated that October's scheduled ARES Simulated Emergency Test (SET) was cancelled due to a real emergency which included flooding on the Eastern Shore of Maryland.

-SKYWARN – No report.

OTHER – Introductions were held for the benefit of two visitors. One was Ron Tosh who was a ham in the 1970's, but let his license lapse. His former call sign was WB8BBB. He is now studying to get his license again.

The other visitor was Ezio Insinna, a French amateur radio operator with the call sign F5MWA. Ezio is visiting his daughter who works at the National Cancer Institute.

End of Meeting: The meeting was adjourned at 7:57 PM.

Attendees:

Emmett Bonner – WA4UWD
Brian Rozelle – AB3RW
Bryant Meldrum – N3NON
Mike Myers – KB3MM
Glenn Silver – K3GLS
Jeff Fishman – KB3FIO
Mel Schall – KB3ZVB
Herb Palm – K3HCP
Leonard Keepers – KB3NL
David Kindred – K3PO
Ron Tosh – Visitor
Enzio Insinna – F5MWA Visitor
Jackie Fries – WB3KDS

Respectfully submitted, Emmett Bonner – WA4UWD