

NEWPORT COUNTY RADIO CLUB



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The January 15, 2015 Regular NCRC Meeting was called to order by Jim, KA1ZOU, at 7:01 PM. By headcount there were 28 members present. The meeting began with a roll call with each of the members introducing themselves. This was followed by two members giving a more detailed introducing and their interests in ham radio.

John, W1JSM, gave the treasurers reports: \$7978 in assets, up about \$200 from the prior year. While there are 70 members on the books, 17 have yet to pay their dues.

The minutes from the prior meeting, as posted on the website, were approved. Jim explained his concept for new member Elmers, and asked for a volunteer to help with that. He also asked for a membership chairperson, and Ted, W1GRI, volunteered.

Bob, WB4SON, presented eight candidates for membership. All eight were approved:

- Dan Britton, KC1CZU, Middletown, RI
- Forrest Ficke, KC1CWX, Newport, RI
- Peter Fusco, KC1CVY, South Dartmouth MA
- Harry Peirson, KC1CWA, Tiverton, RI
- Jason Sagamang, KC1CWQ, Wakefield, RI
- Kathryn Sagamang, KC1CVZ, Wakefield, RI
- Paul Silverzweig, KC1CZV, Portsmouth, R
- Frank Zappala, KC1CWB, Portsmouth, RI

John, WA1ABI, described the new OSECA net, and mentioned plans to have a statewide shelter drill on July 11, 2015 (tentative). John Also discussed Field Day 2015 and questioned the club membership if we should add another transmitter for casual contesting. The consensus was to keep in the 2A category and to use the GOTA station with a different call sign should casual operation be desired.

The business meeting was closed at 7:45 PM, at which point Allison Philips gave a presentation on using some free tools (LT-Spice and ExpressPCB) to make prototypes.

Respectfully submitted, Bob, WB4SON, Secretary