

# BRARA Board Meeting

**Date: Saturday 6-APRIL 2018 Location: Shack, West Delray Park Start Time: 12.07PM**

Attendance: Bruce.R KO4XL, Jerry.Z W4BFL, George.S WA2VNV, Patrick KE4OBV, Jeff.S K4BH, Michael.S W2RT, Mark.C KJ4QYE, John.C N1QFH

The following items were discussed and actions assigned.

Bruce updated on following

- Amazon Smile updated friendlier link
- General class in May, tech class in July
- Committee slots need to be filled
- Reviewed upcoming board meeting dates (check minutes), monthly and weekly in member emails

Jeff updated speakers (John.C for May)

Field day 2019 backup Bruce and other may pick up tasks if John.C is unavailable.

Jeff updated board on DMR Hyteria and Motorola repeater options and features. Board discussed the pro and con of each repeater and resources to support each option. Need internet connectivity and discussed how to make this happen. Jerry.Z will discuss with FAU contacts to secure IP access. Motion: Jeff.R moved to obtain Motorola second by Jeff.S, discussed motion, called to question, motion passed. Bruce will place the order for the repeater. Antenna is ordered as updated by Art.L.

Park and shack access was discussed which included how to let members know of the changes to the shack combination and shack access and use training. Most of this needs to be 1-1 with members. We are targeting 1-May-2019 to let members know of the change. Need to know who is entitled to access and who has keys and are not active members. (38 keys have been issued, 2 for members not paid for 2019). John.C will send list of both groups to board.

Jeff.R suggested having a timer on AC to cool the shack and avoid it heating up during the summer. Need to post it at the control and maybe lock to avoid it being turned off. Marc.C suggested an away setting.

Patrick updated us on bank balance, outstanding checks and deposits. John.C stated that people have been asking about badges and shirts. Patrick has contact on badges. Patrick said only badges have been ordered, no shorts or hats ordered. Jerry.Z asked about ARRL handling shirts and badges. [CLICK HERE FMI](#). We discussed having members order direct with supplier and use the BRARA logo.

Reviewed website enhancements which included auction and logistics; classified request to place in weekly email updates and as section on our website. Discussed placing crushed rock near picnic tables.

Jerry.Z updated us on linear amp out for repair.

Jeff.S updated us on CPR training and need location for training e.g. Boca Fire dept. or LDS church.

Jerry.Z will connect with PBC for AED and pro and con where PBC would service it.

George updated us on satellite antenna and tower installation plans near south west corner of trailer. Have to be careful to place with clearing space for power boxes. George marked where to cut section to be placed in hole as base. Need to shim rotor and pipe. The location keeps the beam away from guy wires. Walt ordered bolts for tower section (in bottom of draw where grease gun is located). Place crushed rock in base before set section. Need to hand dig at first and then use auger. Add crown above ground to allow rain to roll off.

George updated us on UHF / VHF and sound in shack by closing door or unplug USB.

Bruce updated us on US Coast Guard and BSA license class request details TBA. Targeting 27-July and two August weekends for these classes and Bruce will follow-up.

John.C raised request to add MARS station at shack (follow-up: Jerry.G advised no MARS club are allowed). Need committed group to make it happen. Need to access what antennas to use.

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George asked about staying at shack for contest and DVR camera status.

## **Next Board Meetings**

Mid-month Wednesday meetings are

- 17- April-2019
- 15-May-2019
- 12-June-2019
- 17-July-2019

John.C will schedule with PBC Glades Library branch for start time of 6.30pm to end by 7.45pm

Bruce pointed out we always have a meeting at the shack the Saturday before the monthly general meeting.

**Adjourn:** Move by Jeff.S and 2<sup>nd</sup> by John.C to adjourn at 1.14pm, approved.

Respectfully submitted

John Cole N1QFH

Secretary