

# US COAST GUARD AUXILLARY

# FLOTILLA 20-11

# ST. CLAIR SHORES UNIT

Flotilla Commander – Joseph Roskoski Vice Flotilla Commander – Leonard Fashoway

14 November 2017

- I. Business Meeting: Call to Order by FC Joe Roskoski at 1900.
- **II. Present**: Shari Raby, Mike Wheeler, Leonard Fashoway, Joe Roskoski, Robert Bailey, Richard Hayes, Frederick Lane, and Sean Cahill.
- **III. Pledge of Allegiance**: The pledge of allegiance was led by Leonard Fashoway. A moment of silence observed for those USCG personnel that have passed the bar and currently serving.
- IV. Introduction of Special Guests / Visitor: Jonathan Reese (perspective member), Chanta Laiman (perspective member), Gerrit Caruso (perspective member), Patty Mitrowski (VDC)
- V. Awards: Sean Cahill Member Service Award (5 years) Rick Lane – Member Service Award (15 years)
- VI. Approval of Previous Minutes: Approval of previous June minutes moved by Robert Bailey, 2nd by Shari Raby Passed.
- VII. Announcements / Swear in New Members: none
- VIII. Flotilla Staff Officers (FSO) Reports:

**Finance FSO-FN:** Joe Roskoski reported a balance of \$1,258.62. \$372 collected for dues during October, \$250 collected for dues in November. There has been a \$22 expense for new member in October, and a \$28 expense for active duty contribution for the Change of Watch. Robert Bailey moved to accept the report as written, Shari Rabi  $2^{nd}$  – passed. Of note is that Joe Roskoski is investigating the possibility of moving to a new bank.

**Communications FSO-CM**: R. Bailey reported that there was np activity.

**Computer Services FSO-CS:** J. Wheeler – no activity.

**Diversity FSO-DV:** M. Larivee – no activity.

**Human Resources FSO-HR:** Yani Ward – At this time there are several prospects that are moving toward membership. Paul Baldes has elected to leave the flotilla, and will be dis-enrolled.

Marine Safety FSO MS: Matt Larivee reports "No activity".

Member Training FSO-MT: Rick Lane report is as follows:

1hr (after flotilla meting led by Joe Roskoski) on AUX DATA – Robert Bailey, Richard Hayes, Frederick Lane, Maan Almansour, and Sean Cahill. Rick Lane underwent 8 hrs. of CPR & First Aid at USCG Station St. Clair Shores.

Navigation Services FSO-NS: J. Roskoski reports no activity during October.

**Materials FSO-MA**: Dick Hayes reported that he is having some difficulty in downloading and ordering material – will be investigating issues in the coming month with Rick Lane.

Operations FSO-OP: Joe Roskoski Reports:

- Oct 2 patrols as Crew on Lake St. Clair. Total time on water = 11.00 hrs.
- Total on-the time for 2017 = 148.41 hrs (R. Lane) & over 60 hrs.(Joe Rokoski).
- Request to the D-9 Central Commodore for the 2018 Port Huron to Mackinaw Race coverage patrol to be conducted by the flotilla's operational facility was made in June of this year. The commodore (Bob Stauffer) has stated that "he is reviewing this subject with the Commander of the two Sectors for their feelings toward this mission".
- October Watchstanding = 13 Days (106 hrs 7030.)

Public Education FSO-PE: J. Wheeler – nothing to report.

Public Affairs FSO-PA: R. Bailey reports no activity for October.

**Publications FSO-PB:** J. Roskoski reports no new activity, other than posting of minutes to the flotilla website. Joe indicated that we communicate through email and advised to see the "Portside" publication.

**Information Services FSO-IS:** Yani Warda reports is as follows: Keep track of hours and activities on 7029's and mission reports on 7030's as they are completed.

Program Visitation FSO-PV: Mike Kloska no report.

Vessel Exam – FSO-VE: Mike Kloska no report.

Movement on the floor by Robert Baily to conduct flotilla elections for FC and VFC. Motion 2<sup>nd</sup> by Shari Raby. Patty Mitrowski (VDC) conducted the flotilla election. The result of the election is as follows:

FC – Rick Lane

VFC - Matt Larivee

#### IX. Commander's Report

• Joe reminded everyone that the Division 20 Change of Watch will be held at Blossom Heath on December 02, 2017 at 1830 / dinner at 1900. Cost of attending is \$28. All members are encouraged to attend.

## X. Old Business

• Due to Mike Wheeler not being present to report any progress, we will keep this issue in "Old Business". Mike Wheeler and Leonard will explore area needs in PE and how this could be addressed. It was suggested that a "reach-out" to the local Power Squadron could be made for further input. Rick suggested that the PE Team look into the "weekend navigator training being done by Division 18. This appears very popular with the boating public, and is not offered by any government agency for free, unlike boating safely. Leonard reported that he has experienced negative and / or no response when reaching out for guidance.

## XI. New Business

• It was the general consensus from the membership that Joe Roskoski should pursue alternative banking. It was suggested that Joe Roskoski look at different banks, credit unions to find a home for the flotilla financial account that has no fees. Champion – Joe Roskoski

#### XII. Adjournment:

Made by motion – Robert Baily, 2nd by Sari Raby – passed. It was noted that there will be no **December flotilla meeting**. It was suggested that members attend the Division Change of Watch ceremony in December.

The membership thanked Joe for his service as Flotilla Commander over the last two years.

# Next Meeting Date and Location:

January 10 (Tuesday (19:00), Joe Roskoski's home (1259 Tulberry Cir, Rochester, MI 48306) The Jan meeting will be a fellowship event and will take place of the Chang of watch and Jan. Flotilla meeting.

