**Department of Homeland Security**  
**UNITED STATES COAST GUARD AUXILIARY**  
***Flotilla 37 Ipswich***  
**Division 3 First District – Northern Region**

**Flotilla Meeting *Minutes***

**Date: Nov 01, 2021. 1900 hrs.**

**\*\*At VFW – 110 County Rd, Ipswich MA\*\***

Ipswich  
Rowley  
Essex  
Hamilton

Justin Wright  
**Flotilla Commander**

Brian Shaw  
**Vice Flotilla Commander**

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**Formal Meeting @ Ipswich VFW**

* Call to Order & Pledge of Allegiance -
* Moment of Silence  
  Remembering those who’ve crossed the bar, active duty in harm’s way on &~650,000 Covid deaths
* **Reminder: November 11 honors all who served,**
* Roll Call & Introduction of Guests

Justin Wright

Linda Harding

Lisa Loreti

Glen Gayton

 Tom Doane

Sarah Simon

Deborah Gonzales

Scott Goodwin

 Brian Shaw

Britt Hultgren

* + Guests:
    - DCDR “Scotty” Crocker
    - Coleman
  + New Members:
  + Apologies: Justin Wright, Paul Aquipel, Ron Boisvert, Suzanne Smetana, Kristine Donahue
* Elections
  + FC, VFC – **FC Brian Shaw (confirmed), Glen Gayton (confirmed)**
  + Nomination Committee: Deb Gonzales, Lisa Loreti
  + Moderator: DCDR “Scotty” Crocker

**DCDR “Scotty” Crocker confirmed and dismissed Nom Committee.**

* **Report on Division Meeting**
  + DCDR “Scotty” Crocker
* No Division meeting in November

Election results, Joe Amore is DC, Justin Wright VDC. There is a push on to get Division and Flotilla members to engage local support groups - Safety Depts, Fire and Police, Harbor Masters .

Glen talked about Change of Watch (COW), to be held Jan. 22 at Salvatore’s in Lawrence. Price $57.00 less $10.00 contribution from Division.

* **Report on District Meeting** 
  + DCAPT SBOS Glen Gayton

Byron Moe, emphasized the desire for more outreach with local resources. A package of material is being distributed. More PE resources are needed. Brian indicated we are working on that.

The Captain of the Port is having a Board and staff event is planned for December 11. Food service help is needed. A good time to get in some hours.

An article sent out talked about all the CG Cutters are leaving Boston to be replaced by newer Rapid Response Cutters in the fall next year. There is an “Adopt a Cutter” program is in the works.

D Train is coming, material will be made available soon. An S Training session is also coming soon.

At the flotilla meeting, we discussed there was possibly an upcoming TCT refresher coming in November.  That is now planned for Saturday, 20 November 2021 commencing at 0900 at Newburyport Boathouse, Northern Blvd, Plum Island.

Please register your intention to participate by emailing COMO BERNSTEIN via email to [comogene@yahoo.com](mailto:comogene@yahoo.com).  Please take a quick minute to do that today if possible - I suspect it has a chance of filling up.

Glen sad the Plymouth Thanksgiving Parade is November 20. Glen says it is a lot of fun. Parade starts 10:00.

Glen also mentioned LAMS program (Leadership and Management School), which includes a series of leadership courses. These are very helpful when trying to move up or just every day work efforts.

* Finance Officers Report
  + FSO- FN Deb Gonzales: will provide a verbal financialreport.
* VFC Brian Shaw
  + Staff Officers Reports **See Attachment**
* (V)FC Takeover
  + Members currently interested in & pursuing Instructor Development?
    - New count**? Sarah and Tom**
    - Where can we help?
    - There are additional in-person lesson delivery opportunities in November
  + Any needs for Ashley’s process? **Paper in the works.**
  + 2022 COW – Change of Watch
    - 1/22/22 – Salvatore’s in Lawrence (on the Merrimack) 6-10pm
    - Menu selection (&Costs) **see above**
    - You should attend!
  + PA – Public Affairs, who has a growing interest in this?
  + 2022 FSO position Interest?
  + November 20 – TCT training proposal **See Above**
  + 2022 C-School is now open **St. Louis Contact Glen**
    - Discussion of classes & schedule **See above.**
  + Approaching end of 2021 – please make sure to enter any reports / hours / activities / etc
* Old Business 7029 **hours, 7029 hours, 7029 hours, 7029 hours.**
* New Business
* For the Good of the Auxiliary
* **Next meeting – 12/6/2021**

Have a wonderful Thanksgiving!

**Adjourn Business Meeting** **2026**

***~As a reminder, I encourage members to attend Auxiliary Meetings~***

***“Semper Paratus”***

**“Always Ready”**

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**Attachment**

**Staff Reports**

**FSO-VE Ron Boisvert** Nothing to Report

**FSO-FS Linda Harding** Nothing to Report

**FSO-MT Glen Gayton** Nothing to Report

**FSO-PA Glen Gayton Verbal Report**

**FSO-MA Scott Goodwin** Nothing to Report

**FSO-HR Brit Hultgren Verbal Report**

**FSO-FN Deb Gonzales Any questions contact Deb.**

**FSO-PE Brian Shaw** All PE hours, classes 2021so far have been entered in Aux Data 2

Suddenly in Command at the IBYC is still of interest. Justin is working on contacts.

FSO-CS Lisa Loreti Website updated with info for November meeting. Need new photos.

**FSO-SR** Tom Doane: The Minutes from the Sept 7 meeting were issued on September 30, 2021.

**FSO-PB The September 2021 Newsletter is in the works.** This year is the 20th anniversary of 911. The newsletter contains an article about what the Coast Guard and Auxiliary did that day. Everyone should be aware.

**Member** Tom Doane: I sent a Status Check request on October 1. I believe we still need to stay vigilant and keep keeping our families safe; and please **keep checking in.**

**FSO-MS** Tom Doane: The Fall 2021 “Responder” magazine was issued the end of July. There are some interesting articles including one called “Beyond TCT”, which talks about crew safety.

**FSO-AS** Sea Scout Program – Sea Scouts Newburyport, ship 1791, is a small organization that does maritime community service. COVID 19 has disrupted the sea scout operations like everything else. That’s why I’ve been having trouble gathering information. I am trying to identify anyone in Flotillas 31 and/or 38 who may have already made contact.

**History Liaison**: See article about the Ipswich light house in the September 2021 Newsletter