

United States Coast Guard Auxiliary Flotilla 46, Cape Ann Gloucester, MA

Meeting Minutes: April 19, 2021

1900: Virtual meeting held on *Microsoft Teams* called to order.

1905: Roll Call

Attending members and guests:

Mark Lapham FC
John Keyes VFC / FSO-CS-IS
Ralph Milroy IPFC / FSO-PE
Michael Bergmann
Paul Maglio FSO-FN-MA-VE
John Mellen FSO-CM
Floyd Grace FSO-DV
Jack Flanagan FSO-PV
Gerry Davidson FSO-SR
Donald Strunk Guest and future transfer

1910: FC Mark Lapham announced that after receiving the news of the Covid Tele-conference that evening hosted by COMO Moe, he recommended to cut the meeting short so to allow those who wish to attend.

Jack Flanagan and John Keyes as well as the rest of the attendees had no objections to Mark's suggestion.

Although my duty for recording meeting minutes was being cut short, Mark assured me that he would not dock my pay and, in fact I'm going to get a bonus! (Yes it's a joke)

FC Lapham recognized Michael Bergmann for his attendance.

Michael has been absent for approximately four years.

However, as of March 17, 2021 Michael Bergmann has completed **10 years of service**.

He held numerous flotilla positions and previously SO-OP for Div 4.

Also has been active in *Marine Safety & Environmental Protection Missions* and others amounting to 300 volunteer hours.

("Aplause by all")

1916: Whereas FC Lapham has suspended tonight's meeting agenda, the meeting was opened to general discussion for the FSOs' and what preparations are in place for the upcoming boating season.

Brief Summary:

Jack Flanagan reiterated the transition from PV to VE

Brief Summary (continued)

Jack Flanagan also mentioned to fill out the Covid High Risk Assessment Form and that the FC to send them to the Division Captain.

Ralph Milroy discussed his efforts for online evening courses and checking what Covid restrictions that may be in play.

**John Keyes* indicates the benefit that we get new members from courses and

**Paul Maglio* appreciates the financial benefit as well. Currently financially sound.

Appropriate stickers are available from John keyes and Paul Maglio.

Paul M. dropped off stickers for Evangeline and signed off on her facility paperwork.

Also will drop off stickers to Ralph Milroy, etc.

John Keyes announced he has 100+ Mass. Booklets available, just let him know your needs.

Floyd Grace requested Auxiliary Recruitment brochures and John Keyes responded to provide them to him.

Guest Don Strunk discussed his communications with Tom Clarke regarding new member ID's.

Don explained the current procedure including the PI report approval.

Mark Lapham touched on the correspondence pertaining to the Finger Print Technician and Citizenship Verifiers.

Much discussion among several attendees on ink prints versa digital prints and what is required for member ID's as well as passing the FT certification exam.

Now that member ID's previously mentioned above, Michael Bergmann and another need to renew their expired IDs' and John Keyes came to their rescue by informing how to achieve renewals.

John Mellen: pertaining to surface operations for anyone who has PPEs' e.g vests, survival vests and the mustang, and wishes to submit for inspection, John offered some good info on obtaining inspections.

Re: PPE's Paul Maglio FSO-MA informed us that the flotilla never had these items in our flotilla's inventory however, FC Mark Lapham suggested that we acquire a list from our members who has some items said equipment for creating a list, etc.

Unfinished discussions were tabled for the next monthly (May) meeting.

1929: A motion to adjourn was made and second, unanimously agreed to.

Respectfully submitted:
Gerry Davidson FSO-SR
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