

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

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## Meeting Minutes: JUNE 21, 2022

**1900:** In person meeting held at USCG Station Gloucester - called to order by: FC John Keyes

**1901:** Pledge of Allegiance led by: Paul Maglio

**1902:** Invocation / Moment of Silence by: Reverend Floyd Grace

**1905:** Roll Call

Attending members:

John Keyes FC / FSO-CS-IS-PA

Jack Flanagan VFC / FSO-PV

Paul Maglio FSO-FN-MA-VE

Thomas Clarke FSO-HR

Floyd Grace FSO-AS-DV

John Mellen FSO-CM

Ralph Milroy

Donald Strunk

Gerry Davidson FSO-SR

**1906:** Introduction of our honored guest CWO-4 James (Jim) Bridges, new CO of Station, Gloucester.

CWO-4 Jim Bridges shared many of his various assignments from his enlistment in 1998 to present.

Many enjoyed the "One on One" conversations with Jim:

(e.g.)

-Paul Maglio informed of our activities with the Sea Scouts as well as the **If Found Sticker Program** which is becoming mandatory in some communities.

-Ralph Milroy asked about rotations during Covid.

-Tom Clarke inquired as to what Station, Gloucester's target activity plans might be;  
CWO-4 Bridges responded in the following order; 1<sup>st</sup> maintenance, 2<sup>nd</sup> training,  
3<sup>rd</sup> law enforcement & SARs.

-John Keyes inquired as to who would be our point of contact at the Station.

**1931:** FC Keyes Remarks:

Including announcing of his deployment orders to the southern border.

**1933:** Old Business / New Business

Tentative date of Saturday July 9, 2022 will be a fellowship event at Station, Gloucester.  
Approximate time 12:00pm – 5:00pm, summer casual.

Confirming announcement forth coming.

### **Awards**

USCG Auxiliary, part of Team Coast Guard, are included recipients of the “DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY OUTSTANDING UNIT AWARD” FC Keyes presented ribbons to all in attendance.

**1945:** A fellowship break was called, where a collation was provided.

**2000:** Meeting reconvened.

**2001:** VFC Jack Flanagan received verbally additions to the FSO reports already submitted.

**2025:** A motion to adjourn was made by Gerry Davidson (SR) and seconded by Don Strunk, unanimously agreed to.

**Next Meeting:** Monday, August 15th, 1900

**Location:** Station, Gloucester

**Uniform:** ODUs'

Respectfully submitted:  
Gerry Davidson FSO-SR  
Cape Ann Flotilla  
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The Secretary of Homeland Security takes great pleasure in presenting the DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY OUTSTANDING UNIT AWARD to

THE UNITED STATES COAST GUARD

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For outstanding service to the Department of Homeland Security and the United States of America from 25 August 2017 to 30 November 2020 during multiple devastating hurricanes, a Presidentially-declared National Emergency along the Southwest Border, and the COVID-19 Novel Coronavirus global pandemic. Across four of the most active and devastating hurricane seasons on record, the United States Coast Guard consistently recognized the significant risks to life and property, repositioning its personnel, vessels, and aircraft to rapidly respond, saving or assisting over 13,000 lives. The Coast Guard swiftly restored the flow of commerce to dozens of vital, storm-damaged ports by reestablishing thousands of aids to navigation and removing countless hazards caused by displaced vessels. Following the Declaration of National Emergency along the Southwest Border, the Coast Guard provided mission-enhancing aviation, surface, medical, and ground support to Customs and Border Protection to assist in processing unprecedented numbers of migrants arriving at the border. Addressing the drivers of this land migration, the Coast Guard countered cartel-driven instability in Central America through record levels of at-sea drug interdictions yielding 1.3 million pounds of seized cocaine and the apprehension of 1,856 smugglers, while also providing critical support to the President's Enhanced Counternarcotic Operations in 2020. In response to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Coast Guard partnered with multiple agencies to safely disembark more than 250,000 cruise ship passengers and 90,000 crew members from 125 vessels, preventing outbreaks and inundation of local hospitals. Further, the Coast Guard exhibited exceptional resilience conducting its full portfolio of multi-mission operations during both the pandemic and the 35-day partial government lapse in Fiscal Year 2019 appropriations, including response to myriad regional, national, and global crises, including: the capsizing of M/V GOLDEN RAY and the enforcement of United Nations sanctions against North Korea "ship to ship" transfers. Through their outstanding courage, resourcefulness, and professionalism, members of the United States Coast Guard reflected great credit upon themselves and upheld the highest traditions of the United States of America."

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Chad F. Wolf".

CHAD F. WOLF  
Acting Secretary of Homeland Security