



## U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary-First District, Northern Region

### Flotilla 11-9 Martha's Vineyard

#### MEETING MINUTES

24 April 2018

Conference Room, Martha's Vineyard Hospital

#### **Fellowship - 1930**

**Call to Order** – 2000 FC G. DeBlase

#### **Pledge of Allegiance**

#### **Auxiliary Members Present:**

T. Carroll, D. Pothier, D. Teel, G. DeBlase, J. Berini, S. Lewenberg, W. Iacono, K. DeBettencourt, K. Kukulich, B. Hefler

**Guests:** None

#### **Discussion**

#### Flotilla Commander's Comments, News & Updates

- There continue to be numerous service opportunities to assist the gold side and the auxiliary. Some include food service (AuxChef), Watchstanding, Vessel Examiners (VE), and Public Education (PE) to name only a few. If interested, please see FC DeBlase or VFC Berini.
- 7029's: Please make an effort to get the 7029's in on time!
- FSO Reports:
- FSO-CS (Berini)
  - Updated Facebook page for the Flotilla.
  - Continue to work on the Flotilla's WOW website.
  - flotilla logo design completed
- FSO-MA (Berini)
  - Ordered more VE materials – in Cabinet.
- FSO-MT (Carroll): No Report
- FSO-MS (Deblase): No Report
- FSO-OP (Iacono): Nothing to Report
- FSO-PA (Scott): No Report
- FSO-PE (Scott):
  - Looking to offer BS&S class every 2 to 3 years. Next class possibly Spring 2019

- Looking into offering abbreviated boating safety presentations at several venues across the Vineyard this Spring. These presentations would be an opportunity to promote the Auxiliary and the Vessel Safety Check program.
- FSO-PV (Teel): No Activity/Nothing to Report
- FSO-HR (Pothier): Nothing to Report
- FSO-SR (Teel): No Report
- FSO-VE (Debettencourt): 23 Vessel Safety Checks to date
- FSO-FN (Kukolich): 2018-19 Dues notice to come out soon. \$55-same as last year; \$5 for morale fund (suggested).

### Training Opportunities & Activities

- National Safe Boating Week (NSBW) is to be held 5/19-25, 2018. In preparation, a workshop will be held (tentatively) at the MV Hospital AV room on 4/24 at 7:00 PM. Confirmation of venue will be forthcoming.
- A Flotilla information table will be set up at the MV Hospital Health Fair on Saturday, 3/24 from 8 am to 12 Noon. Please come out and participate, if possible.
- A CPR/First Aid course sponsored by the Fishing Partnership will be held on Monday, 3/19 from 11 am to 3 pm. The class is \$25 and will be held at the Tisbury FD.
- A Marine Safety & Survival Training Class sponsored by the Fishing Partnership will be held on Thursday, March 22<sup>nd</sup> from 7:30 am to 3:30 pm at Menemsha.

### Old/Other News

- Gift for BMCM Reimer – It was moved, seconded and passed that \$75 be allocated for a gift for the departing Chief Reimer. A picture collage was recommended as a gift.
- D. Pothier motioned that \$50 be allocated for a commemorative plaque for Jules DeBettencourt for his 45 years of service to the Auxiliary. It was so moved, seconded and passed by the membership.
- Wayne Iacono is in the process of completing watchstander training.
- Other Discussions:
  - Dates for Diversity workshop?
  - Pothier and Lewenberg vessels are under consideration for becoming Auxiliary facilities.
  - Menemsha Harbor “Meet the Fleet” Celebration is scheduled for 8/2 or 8/3. More info. to follow.
  - A Sail MV Regatta in VH harbor is scheduled for July 13 through 15<sup>th</sup>. Pending federal approval, a 30-minute USCG demonstration will be held Saturday, July 14 from 1700 to 1730. Stay tuned for more info.

### Awards & Recognition

- K. DeBettencourt was recognized with the 2017 Vessel Examiner Award.
- K. Kukolich received AUX Chef/Food Service Award.

Next meeting was scheduled for May 19 @ 09:30. However, this meeting was cancelled/postponed to a later date because of member scheduling conflicts. Meeting schedule is forthcoming.

The meeting was adjourned at 2200.

Respectfully submitted,

Derrick Teel, FSO-SR