

**Flotilla 12-04 Central Grand Strand  
Meeting Minutes  
10 April 2013**

**Opening:**

The regular meeting of Flotilla 12-4 was called to order at 1905 on 10 April 2013 at Surfside Beach Firehouse by FC Chuck Budnick.

**Present:**

Members: Chuck Budnick, Tom Williamson, Vernon Simmons, Jack Stacy, Nancy Johnson, Tommy Timberlake, Jack Margolis, Dolorene Arruda, Oliver Leimbach, Bud Shepard, Josh Gray, Donald Siwirski, Jim Nelson, Betty Hayes, Billy Shaver, Larry Koslap.

Guests: Marjorie Smith, Steve Smith, Mike Mukhyan.

**Minutes:**

Minutes from the previous meeting were approved. Motion by Jim Nelson. Second by Betty Hayes.

**Financial Report:**

Bud Shepard reported a bank balance of \$537.66 plus a deposits of \$40 (dues) less \$42.30 (candy for Christmas parade) or \$535.36. The financial report was approved. Motion by Jack Margolis. Second by Ollie Leimbach.

**Coast Guard Comments:**

Auxiliary Liaison BM 2 Jason Reiling reported AOMS, the sequel to POMS, is being beta tested. It will be available in late June, early July. It shows available dollar balance for patrols. Chuck Budnick asked if restrictions on use would be the same. Discussion followed. Jason said all patrols (single engine) are being approved. Incidents are quiet. Alert and stand down five minutes later. Jason invited any member who had not been there to visit Station Georgetown.

CPO Matt Creswell thanked Jason for helping out as he prepares to move to Station Juneau, Alaska. He said he has bought a home and is extremely excited about the family trip to Alaska. He participated in the Chief's Mess program for new CPO's. Matt then thanked the flotilla saying "you guys have done everything we asked". Matt then proceeded to sell the members Low Country CPO Association raffle tickets.

**Comments By District, Division Staff Officers Present:**

None

**Division Commander:**

None

**Auxiliary Elected Officers Comments:**

**Flotilla Commander:**

Chuck Budnick reported that Jim Nelson has been appointed District 7 Aviation Materials Officer. Larry Koslap will take his place as FSO-CS. Tom Williamson has been appointed Division PA Officer.

Matt Creswell's farewell party will be at Reserve Marina 6pm Friday 12 April.

**Vice Flotilla Commander:**

Tommy Timberlake reported he is frustrated with not getting answers when sending out e-mails. It is causing stress and health issues and if he can't get his blood pressure down he may have to resign his position.

**Immediate Past Flotilla Commander:**

None.

**Staff Officer Reports:**

Tommy Timberlake reported:

Information Services: Tommy will train any member on AUX INFO after the meeting.

Member Training: Jim Nelson was certified as an AUX AIR Observer. Tommy and Jim Sain patrolled Gray's reef and the coast. Bud Shepard has one more flight to be certified. Josh Gray and Jack Margolis. Two members are going to AUX SAR school. Forrest Meiere will teach. Jim Nelson, Betty Hayes and Dolorene Arruda will attend AUXCHEF school.

Larry Koslap reported:

Communications Services: He is just getting acquainted with it.

Jack Margolis reported:

Communications: Nothing new.

Operations: He is in training for Communication Watch Stander. He is looking

for other interested parties. Discussion about qualifications ensued.

They have been working on Billy Shaver's boat to ready it for check rides for coxswain qualifications.

Jack said it sounds like we get scheduled patrol assignments from Georgetown. Discussion of local practice followed.

Tom Williamson reported:

Public Affairs: Our next event will be Storm Fest 13 April. We will be working with 12-10 and are looking for volunteers. Future events include the Memorial Day parade and Military Appreciation Day. Tom talked about last years parade. Last year we didn't participate in Military Appreciation Day because our members were still involved in NSBW activities. We will be helping the Shriners judge their completion at the SASA Fall Festival 20 September 2013. Blessing of The Inlet will be coming up in May and we will be working with 12-10 on it.

Oliver Leimbach reported:

Human Resources: Ollie introduced our guests tonight Marjorie Smith, Steve Smith, Mike Mukhyan.

Aton: None.

Tommy Timberlake for Tony Presson reported:

Material: Three boxes of previously ordered material have arrived.

Billy Shaver reported:

Vessel Examinations: 17 VE and one paddle craft completed. A good performance. Josh Gray passed his test.

**Comments By District, Division Staff Officers Present:**

None.

**Committee Reports, Future Plans:**

**Old Business:**

None.

**New Business:**

None.

**Swear in New Members / Staff Officers / Awards:**

Ollie Leimbach received First Award For Sustained Service (750 hours).

Tommy Timberlake received a certificate for the 8 hour Charting and Plotting seminar.

**Questions and Discussion by members:**

None.

**Comments from members and guests:**

Chuck said he would be going over to Walter Spall's house to help him pack.

Betty Hayes has already gone over to help.

**Training:**

None.

**Adjournment:**

Motion was made for adjournment by Dolorene Arruda and seconded by Jack Margolis. The meeting adjourned at 2018 hours. The next general meeting will be held at the Surfside Beach Firehouse, 8 May 2013 at 1900 hours.

Minutes submitted by: Tom Williamson, Secretary