



06-04 FLOTILLA MEETING MINUTES for FEBRUARY 2020

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CALL TO ORDER BY FLOTILLA COMMANDER AT:

DATE of meeting: February 12, 2020

LOCATION of meeting: Lorain CG Station

Meeting Start TIME: 1935 (7:35 PM)

Pledge By: Ken Distler

Invocation By: Russ Cromwell

Total Attending Meeting: 15 (11 members, 2 Members In Process and 1 Guest)

SECRETARY REPORT:

Minutes to the last meeting Report Russ Cromwell, Jeff Burdick & Marge Bratton

- No changes to minutes as submitted.

Motion to accept the minutes: Jack Benton
 2nd: Tom Cole
 Vote: Passed

FINANCE OFFICER REPORT:

Finance Report Peter Baillie FSO-FN

- Same as last report

FLOTILLA COMMANDER REPORT:

Attended Black River Celebration @ Sunset Terrace on January 23, 2020

- Area residents got a chance to learn more about a main waterway in Lorain County with several events in planning stages for 2020.
- The Black River Clean-Up, Black River Summit and a new Black River Celebration series are in the works this year.
- The list of events was part of discussion Jan. 6 in the quarterly meeting of the Black River Advisory Committee, which includes members from local governments, consultants and community organizations whose members guide ecological restoration efforts along the river.
- While details will emerge later this year, planners already are marking their calendars for the months ahead.



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FLOTILLA COMMANDER REPORT FROM DIVISION:

- Flotilla Training Weekend on February 29th & March 1st at the Coast Guard Station Cleveland Harbor. This is a two day training session with a variety of classes for Divisions 6 & 7.

Note:

- Russ FC sent email to all members Mid February as a reminder of the training at Station Cleveland.
- There was also information on the 2 day training on our Flotilla Web page. Please check the flotilla web page to keep up to date on member notices!

- Flotilla and staff officers' reports will be due monthly. District Commander Greg is not worried about the "dates" as much as the content of the report. In other words, pick a date range and provide updates to Division by the 15th of each month.

- Reminder for D-Train in March. Reserve your room and what training classes you wish to sign up for.

Note:

- Emails were sent out by several members on the D-Train sign up information.
- There is information for D-Train on our Flotilla Web site.

VICE FLOTILLA COMMANDER REPORT:

- No report but a comment. Starting to understand a little more but still have a lot to learn.

AWARDS / CERTIFICATES /PLEDGES:

- Courtesy Examiner Ribbon



TOM COLE received his VE certificate and his Courtesy Examiner Ribbon

- Coast Guard Unit Commendation Ribbons



Members are awarded a Ribbon for a first time and will receive Gold Stars or a Silver Star (replaces 2 Gold Stars).

RIBBON AWARDED (First time)

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1 GOLD STAR (Second time)
CHRIS KUEBLER

2 GOLD STARS (Third time)
RUSSELL CROMWELL

1 SILVER STAR (Forth time – replaces two Gold Stars)
JACK BENTON, THOMAS RASZKA, MARGE BRATTON

- **Coast Guard Meritorious Team Commendation
(For the participation with the Sea Scout Program)**



(Picture Below Left to Right) KEN DISTLER, JACK BENTON, TOM COLE, JEFF BURDICK, JEFF RUTTER, DAVE MCCULLUM, BILL FERRY, GREG LITTLE, GARY KRAUSE, RUSS CROMWELL AND TOM RASZKA



STAFF OFFICERS REPORTS:

- FSO-CM Communications Peter Baillie
No Change from last report



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- FSO-CS Communication Services Tom Cole
 1. Updated Flotilla Meeting snack schedule for 2020 on website
 2. Made a few calendar updates

- FSO-DV Diversity Dave McCollum
 1. Reviewed the status of all four pending applications at DIRAUX. A paperwork backlog and change in data systems has created a need for auxiliarists to volunteer time towards clearing up the situation. I have volunteered to help work on the problem at DIRAUX after March 23. No response from DIRAUX has been received.
 2. Completed the paperwork necessary for new member KENNETH ZAHORCAK which will be submitted to Division SO-HR this week. Files of prospects have been reviewed and follow-up with each will be completed this month.
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- FSO-IS Information Services Michele E. Rosich
 1. I am working on getting all the courses that were done on Feb.29 and March 1 entered into AuxData.
 2. Request members to send me hours that you have done so they can be entered into AuxData.



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3. The new program to replace AuxData is having training for district level at this time.

- FSO-MA Materials Robert J Koenig
Materials on order

- FSO-MS Marine Services Jeff Burdick
No Report

- FSO-MT Member Training OPEN
No Report

- FSO-NS Navigation System Thomas Raszka
No Report

- FSO-OP Operations Jack Benton

 - 1. Moved newly acquired 22 ft 1985 SportCraft I/O to Station Lorain on 15FEB20. It was purchased for the BRSBA to be Offered for Use as our facility for 2020 in lieu of the Sea Ray. The Sea Ray cost about \$3,000 to maintain last year, mostly from members' donations. The Sea Ray is being donated to the BRSBA as a tax writeoff. Its fate is up to the Association.
 - 2. The CG is allowing us to base the 22 footer at the station which will save us storage and dockage and will allow us better access to work on it. It's been idle to 2 years outside, so it needs some work. Our crew and trainees are volunteering their time and knowledge to restore it to its past and facility condition. We would welcome help from the Flotilla if you think you can offer more expertise in the maintenance (Service of the I/O system). Labor has been 2/3 or more of our cost on the SeaRay maintenance plus dockage and marina fees, so we would like to do our own service and winterization.
 - 3. After D-Train we want to restart our crew training at the station. Most likely on SaturdaysCrew Training to start March through April. If your interested in the crew training contact Jack Benton.

- FSO-PA Public Affairs Greg Little

This is the Year of the Black River and Black River Landing events Everyone is a PA person. Get some safe boating literature from our supply and share with others.

- FSO-VE Vessel Exams Greg Little



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Stickers for Vessel Exams for 2020 are in. VE's can stop by after the meeting to get theirs or let me know when they need them.

- FSO-PB Publications Russ Cromwell
No Report

- FSO-PE Public Education Bill Ferry

Bill asked Tom Raszka to report on the coming boating class because Tom has handled the arrangement for our flotilla.

Tom Raszka

- OBEC boating class will be on April 18th starting 830 Hours (8:30AM) at Station Lorain.
- Class cost will be \$30. This includes the class book and a provided lunch.
- Because of the size of the room, class will be limited to 25.
- Instructors will be Tom Raszka, Russ Cromwell and Greg Little. Anyone else interested in teaching a segment should contact Russ for section assignment.
- We WILL need assistance for the class.
 - We need help with opening the gate, greeting students and passing out paperwork.
 - Need assistance with the lunch prep and serving.
 - Need help grading tests.
 - Since the station may only be students and auxiliary members for our training day, we will need members to maintain watch outside the classroom, so students don't accidentally get lost in the station.
 - Volunteers to help do not need to stay the whole day if they can't.
 - If your interested in volunteering to help, contact Bill Ferry, Tom Raszka or Russ Cromwell

- FSO-PV (MD) Marine Dealer Russ Cromwell
No PV's so far this year

COMMITTEE REPORT:



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Sunshine	Marge Bratton	<i>Responsible to keep up with members missing meetings to make sure things are OK and send cards for health-related issues or events.</i>	<p>FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS Michael Adam Bores Alan M Rosich Serena R Dawkins</p> <p>FEBRUARY AUXILIARY ANNIVERSARY 23 Years - Donald Dawkins 13 Years – Bob Koenig 8 Years – Chris Kuebler 8 Years – Robert Hemminger 8 Years – Michael Bores</p>
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OLD BUSINESS:

- T-shirts / Polo shirts Tabled for now
- Car VE signs – trying to find the magnetic signs
- Asked what Fellow ship events for planning. FC option
- Asked what holiday's for schedule FC option

NEW BUSINESS:

- Pass around Meeting Treat List
- Talk Dtrain Hand outs
- Talk Training by Mike Packard (Feb 29th & March 1st)
- Explain monthly report timeline
- Cover Tentative Schedule

CLOSING REMARKS:

District/Division Commander or Vice Commander
No comments from Division Commander and Division Vice Commander

- FC Russ Cromwell -
- Thank you Bill (Ferry) for providing tonight's treats
 - Big thank you to Marge Bratton and Jeff Burdick for taking meeting notes for tonight!!
 - Next meeting March 11, 2020



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VFC Jeff Burdick

- Great participation from flotilla

IPFC Dave McCollum

- Would like to have a few new member training in March

Senior Active Member Attending (See List Next Page) Marge Bratton

- It is important to thank the efforts of the Girls that make the Parties and Events happen! Thanks To Kate Little, Katherine McCollum and Deb Cromwell

MOTION TO ADJOURN:

Motion to Adjourn by: Greg Little
2nd: Dave McCollum
Vote: Passed
Adjourn Meeting Time: 2130 Hours (9:30 PM)