



# 06-04 FLOTILLA MINUTES for JULY 14, 2021 Meeting

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## MEETING CALLED TO ORDER BY FLOTILLA COMMANDER RUSS CROMWELL AT:

**Date of meeting:** 7/14/2021  
**Location of meeting:** Lorain CG Station  
**Meeting Start Time:** 19:35hrs

**Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag By:** DCR Greg Little

**Invocation By:** FC Russ Cromwell

**Total Members Attending:** 14 members – 2 Guests.

- Robert Koenig
- William Ferry
- Gerald Krause
- Chris Kuebler
- Tom Raszka
- Greg Little
- Don Schoonover
- Anne Schoonover (Guest)
- George Harizal
- Jeff Rutter
- Peter Baillie
- Kevin Settle
- Dave McCollum
- Jack Benton
- Russ Cromwell
- Deb Cromwell (Guest - Cook)

**SECRETARY REPORT:**                      **FSO-SR**                      **Kevin Settle**                      [kevmac447@yahoo.com](mailto:kevmac447@yahoo.com)

Flotilla minutes mailed to members on 6/14/21.  
I snail mailed flotilla minutes to 5 members that do not have email on 6/17/21.

June minutes any additions or corrections? - None

Motion to accept the minutes –                      Peter Baillie.  
2<sup>nd</sup> to motion –                                              Greg Little  
Vote -                                                              All vote Aye, passed.

**FINANCE OFFICER REPORT:**                      **FSO-FN**                      **Peter Baillie**                      [anguskbaillie@yahoo.com](mailto:anguskbaillie@yahoo.com)

Balance \$3615.12. same as last month.  
NOTE: \$409 of the \$3615.12 is from Flotilla donations account.

Motion to accept report –                                      Jack Benton.  
2<sup>nd</sup> to motion –                                              Don Schoonover  
Vote –                                                              All vote Aye, passed.



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## **FLOTILLA COMMANDER REPORT:** Russ Cromwell FC

- As stated in an earlier meeting, **Flotilla dues are requested to be paid by October 1<sup>st</sup>** for next year membership dues payment. This way Peter Baillie FSO-FN can process our flotilla (division, district, and national dues) dues on time and avoid the extra work of refiling all information each time again.
- If a member wishes to donate to help another member pay dues, contact FC (Russ) FC will coordinate the donation for dues payment, if needed. Any questions contact Russ.
- It is up to each Flotilla Staff Officer to send in a report **by the end of each month**. Even if your report only states, "No activity or No report for the month". This way VFC Jeff and FC Russ will know if there was something to report or not. Also please copy SR Kevin Settle with your report as well.

## **DIVISION COMMANDER REPORT:** Greg Little Division Commander

- Update on requirements/procedure for VSC and RBS visits
  - 7001 Covid Form must be sent to DIRAUX, this will be done only one time unless you have updates that require a new form.
  - After your 7001 Form is sent in, contact the Division Commander Greg Little for Approval to do these functions. This is a one-time approval and does not need to be repeated each time you wish to do a VE or RBS visit.
  - You also need to notify a Flotilla staff officer (FC, VFC or any other staff officer) when you will be out on a detail, where, and when you are done. A phone call or text message would suffice.
- There will be an in-person D-Train (District Training) this year. D-Train will be in Dunkirk, NY, Sept. 18-19.

It will be held at the Clarion Hotel & Conference Center, on beautiful Lake Erie. More info will be released on reservations and class schedules soon.

- On 6/13/21 I was involved in the moving of the USS Cod from Cleveland to Erie, PA. It did not go as planned. Photos taken are now part of the Coast Guard investigation on what went wrong. There will be more details at a later meeting.



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## STAFF OFFICERS REPORTS:

Staff Reports for June 2021 (was not covered in meeting but are here for you to view)

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**FSO-CM**     Peter Baillie     (Communications Officer)     [anguskbailie@yahoo.com](mailto:anguskbailie@yahoo.com)  
 No activity for May

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**FSO-CS**     Tom Cole     (Communication Services)     [tomcole430@gmail.com](mailto:tomcole430@gmail.com)  
 No activity for May

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**FSO-DV**     Dave McCollum     (Diversity)     [daveaux0604@gmail.com](mailto:daveaux0604@gmail.com)  
 Working on NACO award have been considered. Deadline is July 31. We plan on having it in sooner.

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**FSO-HR**     Dave McCollum     (Human Resources)     [daveaux0604@gmail.com](mailto:daveaux0604@gmail.com)  
 Nothing to Report.

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**FSO-IS**     Michele Rosich     (Information Services)     [merosich@windstream.net](mailto:merosich@windstream.net)  
 Reminder to all members to turn in their hours to be entered into AUXDATA II. Please have them turned in before the end of each month.

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**FSO-MA**     Robert Koenig     (Materials)     [capt.bobonlake.erie@gmail.com](mailto:capt.bobonlake.erie@gmail.com)  
 No report

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**FSO-MS**     Jeff Burdick     (Marine Safety)     [flyrod11ft@gmail.com](mailto:flyrod11ft@gmail.com)  
 No report

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**FSO-MT**     **Position Open**     (Member Training)  
 If interested ask FC or VFC



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**FSO-NS**      Thomas D Raszka      (Navigation Systems)      [flybuoy2@yahoo.com](mailto:flybuoy2@yahoo.com)  
No Report

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**FSO-OP**      Jack Benton      (Operations)      [trilogy1850@gmail.com](mailto:trilogy1850@gmail.com)  
Work continues AUX64 Facility. (AUX64 is the name of the Facility)

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**FSO-PB**      Russ Cromwell      (Publications)      [auxruss@twc.com](mailto:auxruss@twc.com)  
No activity for June

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**FSO-PV**      Russ Cromwell      (Program Visitor)      [auxruss@twc.com](mailto:auxruss@twc.com)  
RBS visits made in June, but reports are not turned in for AuxData yet so they will be added for next report.

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**FSO-PE**      Bill Ferry      (Public Education)      [clevelandbill@mac.com](mailto:clevelandbill@mac.com)  
No Report

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**FSO-PA**      Greg Little      (Public Affairs)      [glittle48@gmail.com](mailto:glittle48@gmail.com)  
No report for June

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**FSO-VE**      Greg Little      (Vessel Examination)      [glittle48@gmail.com](mailto:glittle48@gmail.com)  
No Report

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**AUXPAD**      (Bill Ferry and Jeff Burdick are coordinators of this venture)  
No Report

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## **OLD BUSINESS:**

- BOAT PROJECT – still working on the Facility, looks great!

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

- New members Don Schoonover and Kevin Settle were officially sworn in during the meeting. Their member oaths were postponed due to the Covid shutdown. They were officially members as of October 2020. Don's wife, Anne Schoonover attended as a guest to watch him take the oath.

The Coast Guard New member pledge was given by Russ Cromwell FC. District Commander Greg Little and Vice District Commander Dave McCollum did the honors of presenting the new member certificates to Don & Kevin.

- After the new member oath was taken the attending members and guest had a Hot Dog, Chips, and a bottle of water. This impromptu celebration was in honor of our members taking the oath and this was the FIRST Flotilla meeting at Station Lorain for this year!
- After meeting was adjourned members were encouraged to:
  - Visit our AUX64 facility inside the Coast Guard Boat House (where it is being worked on.)
  - Look at our small office inside the Coast Guard Station. (Mostly used as storage room currently, but has potentials)
  - Visit our auxiliary trailer we use for classes and information booths. (This is the next project that the flotilla will take on once the facility is completed)
  - See the small concrete storage building the Coast Guard is letting us use. Currently has supplies to support the facility and will hold tables and chairs if we buy them for flotilla use. (This was the former ATON battery building)
  - Visit and access safe boating documents and pamphlets from a "Dave's Shed".

"Dave was a diehard auxiliary member that transferred up to Lorain Flotilla from Florida shortly before his death."



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## **CLOSING REMARKS:**

**Flotilla Commander** - Russ Cromwell

- Thanks to Jack Benton for all his hard work for the flotilla. Jack is our guiding light for the auxiliary vessel and has aided in getting permission for our access to the Lorain Station for work and activities.
- Thanks to Dave McCollum and Bill Ferry for all their hard work for the flotilla.
- Thanks to Deb Cromwell for cooking Hot Dogs for an after-meeting fellowship meal to celebrate the in-person meetings returning.

## **MOTION TO ADJOURN:**

Motion to Adjourn by: Bill Ferry

2<sup>nd</sup> by Jeff Rutter

Vote: All vote Aye

Adjourn Meeting @ 20:15hrs

Minutes submitted by:  
Kevin Settle FSO-SR 7/17/21