



CALL TO ORDER: PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: INVOCATION: Jack Benton @ 1939 Tom Raszka Jack Benton Requested a moment of silence.

ATTENDANCE:

13 members and 1 guest in attendance (Including one new member Bruce Nieman)

SECRETARY'S REPORT:

FSO-SR (Open) Skipped (Last Rpt. Dec 2013) MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING: Discussions/corrections: None Motion to accept minutes – Chris Raszka Second - 2nd Marge Bratton. Vote - Passed

FINANCE REPORT: Marie Shimandle FSO-FN absent, sent report which was read by Jack Benton

Discussions/corrections: Balance reported; expenditure of \$50 for donation to Beaver Creek Boat Club for use of facility for steak fry and last year's Christmas party; Members advised that money was still available from Cedar Point fund.

Motion to accept finance report- Tom Raszka Second – Russ Cromwell Vote – Passed

FLOTILLA COMMANDER REPORT: Jack Benton FSO-FC

- Presented info on district money for C-Schools (explained how C-Schools works)
- Message from Division Commander: Wife of John Smith, a member of Flotilla 06-01, passed away the previous Sunday and memorial on May 17. Marge Bratton will send sympathy card from 06-04.
- Discussed upcoming open house at Station Lorain. Three members from 06-01 will help. There will be no Coastie as it is in the shop in Iowa for overhaul.
- Kenneth Sarnicki -has PPE equipment in boxes and if any crew needs, contact Jack Benton first
- Advised, via Marie Shimandle, that Beaver Creek Boat Club has given permission to use facilities for June 11 steak fry.

VICE FLOTILLA COMMANDER REPORT: Open FSO-VFC

STAFF OFFICER REPORTS: Called on by VFC J Benton:

• <u>FSO-CM</u> - Communication - Rose Melko: Absent, provided report read by Jack Benton

Total of 64 hours of W/S for April: Jack Benton 15 hours, Rose Melko 20, Peter Bailey 29 (including 24 of training and 5 hours regular -- has been standing watch with Jack and Rose). Peter will be one of first Auxiliarists to get computer card.

• FSO-HR - Human Resources - Russell Cromwell:





Not much activity; talked to one prospective member. Jack also talked to perspective member from North Ridgeville.

- <u>FSO-IS Information Services</u> Michele Rosich: (Emailed training management report.)
- Reminder to give VSC activity report 70-12 and 70-38 activity report forms to Michele to enter in AUX DATA and pass 70-12 on to Ron Behl.
- FSO-MA Materials Roger Knight:

Absent: No report. Have stamps/envelopes available.

• <u>FSO-OP - Operations</u> - Jack Benton:

Pushing to get boat tuned and in for the season (only facility in flotilla); three crew members working to get qualified and when training completed will be ready to go out on patrols. Explained working with Coast Guard on training missions.

Ken Sarnecki sent word that a marina on the Cuyahoga River offered the use of its docks for auxiliary member exercises and overnight dockage. Ken is Looking for some crew for exercises – also an opportunity to see lake in perspective to Cleveland and Cuyahoga River.

- FSO-MS- Open
- <u>FSO-MT</u>- Open
- <u>FSO-NS</u> –Tom Raszka:

Nothing going on

• FSO- PA - Public Affairs - Linda Seabold:

Advised on work done for the upcoming open house at Station Lorain which included working with BM3 Andrew Ayriss to write press release which was sent out to all area media outlets and anyone who has a calendar on line or Facebook who would post; research and story for Chronicle on history of Station Lorain

• <u>FSO-PE</u> – Open

Russ Cromwell reported he (Flotilla 06-04) and Tom Raszka will be conducting a Boating Safety Education class on May 31 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at LCCC.

Ordered and received class manuals from state. Cost is \$5 each but has not received a bill from the manuals yet.

• FSO-VE - Vessel Exams - Ron Behl

Ron Behl was not in attendance but there was a discussion on upcoming VE Blitzes.

• FSO-CS – Computer Services Robert Hemminger

Bob has been busy updating Flotilla 06-04 members web page including adding menu items linking photo page, adding job links, adding announcements





concerning member activities and education opportunities, adding story and photo of history of Station Lorain and finally, sending out emails to all members announcing updates. Lots of praise for Bob -- he is doing fantastic job on website!

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- VE blitzes on calendar. Russ still has to contact marinas but will next week.
- Russ advised he mailed copy of calendar to all members

Refreshment Committee: Volunteers have signed up for

- June: Steak Fry
- July: Marge Bratton
- August: Rodger Knight
- September: Ed Gordon
- October: Linda Seabold
- November: Serena & Don Dawkins

OLD BUSINESS:

- Talk about the storage shed flotilla is possibly buying from money from Dave Curley memorial fund and requesting permission to erect on Station Lorain grounds. Russ submitted photos of a shed flotilla may be purchasing from Sam's Club (to keep information, extra uniform parts, etc.) were provided and passed around. Pics and dimensions will be submitted to the Chief (by Jack on Saturday) who will then submit to Coast Guard district for approval. "In Memory of" plaque suggested by several members for shed.
- Update on attending Crushers game for social activity on May 29. Russ will send out email reminding everyone and attempt to get attendance count.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Christine Raszka has used uniform clothing and accessories donated by past member Dee Davis which are available to any member needing them. Inventory will be placed on the Flotilla member website.
- Discussion on May 17 open house at Station Lorain. Jack proposed Flotilla put on cookout after the open house station crew members and volunteers – approximately 50 people. A motion was made by Russ to appropriate \$150-175 for food and supplies to be purchased by Jack. Ed Gordon seconded the motion. It was passed unanimously.
- Continuing on the subject of the open house, members was asked to bring any extra life jackets they had and to keep them on hand in case needed for public rides on the Station boat.
- Discussion on June 11 steak fry which will serve as Auxiliary 06-04's June meeting: Russ suggested a \$5 charge for guests of Auxiliarists and \$300 to be appropriated for food. Linda Seabold made a motion to accept, seconded by Don Dawkins and passed unanimously. Food signup sheet was passed.





• Check out our Flotilla web page for current information as to who is coming and what they will bring!

http://wow.uscgaux.info/content.php?unit=092-06-04&category=members

NOTE: to see detailed information you will need to log-in with your member information.

GUEST COMMENTS

• Marge Bratton's son asked about helping out at open house

OPEN FLOOR:

• Members were advised that BM2 Creek from Station Lorain called to offer assistance to Flotilla members adversely affected by recent storm and flooding. Much appreciated.

CLOSING REMARKS:

FSO-FC – Jack Benton

- Reminder next meeting is the June 11 steak fry. An invitation will be sent out soon by Russ Cromwell in email. By the time you get these meeting minutes you should have received your invitation.
- Don is still recovering from his accident and Judy has injured her eye recently. It is unknown when Don and Judy will return to the meetings. It might be a good idea to contact Don and Judy Bell just to say hi. If you send email to Don be sure to CC Judy in case Don doesn't get to his email, he has a computer problem.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion submitted by: Linda Seabold Seconded by: Ed Gordon Vote: Unanimous to adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 2112 hours.

Next Meeting: STEAK FRY!!! - 11 June 2014 at Beaver Creek Boat Club

Respectfully submitted, FSO-PA Linda Seabold