

NORTH STAR FLOTILLA 1N-76 U.S. COAST GUARD AUXILIARY

Minutes of the meeting February 23, 2012 held at the home of Nick & Roz Butziger.

Members present: Bob Pardi, Enis Pardi, Debra Pass, Tom Wilcox, Shirley Dudley, Garth Dudley, Elizabeth Davis, Gary Davis, Roz Butziger, Nick Butziger, Charlie Jenison, Derek Robert, Steven O'Rourke, Mike Quinn, Don Anderson, Debra Anderson.

Guests: None

Meeting called to order @ 1915

Pledge of Allegiance & Moment of Silence for departed members

Motion to accept the minutes of the January 12, 2012 meeting as e-mailed, seconded and passed.

Treasurer's Report: Accepted as presented

(FC) Flotilla Commander's Report: Bob Pardi reported on the Division meeting that the Division standing rules will be voted at next months meeting. There will be no July or December Division meeting.

Awards given to:

Bob Pardi: 60 hours of support

Bob Van Herpe: 200 hours of support **Charles Jenison:** 200 hours of support

Derek Robert: 200 hours of support; 2010 Vessel Safety Check Program; 86 Vessel

Safety Checks, 14 Marine Dealer Visits Elizabeth Davis: 60 hours of support Gary Davis: 200 hours of support

Shirley Dudley: 60 hours of support; 68 hours Underway; Superior Performance of Duty

Garth Dudley: 93 Hours Underway; 3 hours Marine Safety; 200 hours of support;

Superior Performance of Duty

Steven O'Rourke: 25 Years of Dedicated Service

(VFC) Vice Flotilla Commander's Report: Navigation System Training session on 4/14/12.

Charlie reported that WebEx is being used at the District level as an integrated computer conference tool which has been very helpful.

Staff Reports

- (PE) Public Education: Roz reported that winter courses began January 30 with 28 students. She would like more proctors to correct papers and mingle with students if anyone is interested and can spare some time at both the Monday and Thursday evenings. Roz attended the Division PE meeting. If you would like to be an instructor there will be a seminar on May 15th 7 pm at Flotilla headquarters. Any questions call Roz.
- (PA) Public Affairs: Reminder that there will be a bowling party this Saturday 2/25 @ Meadow Brook Lanes 1-3.
- (VE) Vessel Examination: Derek reported that there will be a VE training class in April. He will send out an e-mail with the details. There are currently 56 VE in the Division. Our Flotilla has 17 VE. Nick suggested a refresher course for current VE to help make the reporting consistent.
- (PV) Marine Dealer Visitation: No Report
- (OP) Operations: Nick asked that all facility owners make sure that they download the light list and coast pilot forms they need for their boat facility inspection. He had words of wisdom "gas prices are going up get crew qualified!"
- (MS) Marine Safety: Gary reported that there was a program at Winter Conference on marine safety that was very informative.
- (NS) Navigation Systems: Noah is looking at creating on-line chart updates for easier access. Mike reported that as a result of our chart updates, a new chart for Narragansett Bay has been released. This spring Mike will be doing a Coast Pilot review.
- (PS) Personal Services: new applicants procedure 2 people were contacted pending responses

(MT) Membership Training: Crew training will start after PEC.

Communications: No Report

(MA) Materials / (IS) Information Systems: If anyone needs any Auxiliary literature please let Mike know. Another reminder from Mike - please turn in your forms so that we can be sure to get credit for all time spent on auxiliary business.

(CS) Communication Services: webpage Mike did updates on the member page, dates and links have been added to upcoming events - check it out! Flotilla statistics have been updated - he can't emphasize this message enough "Fill out your paperwork".

(FN) Finance: dues procedures Member dues will are now due on September 1. You have from now through the end of August to pay. If you aren't paid up on September 1 you will be late, so if you don't want to pay a penalty, don't be late with yours.

Quartermasters: assign members to check building before events & meetings

Social Coordinator: Calendar of social events for March thru May - nothing specific is planned at this time.

Other events:

Safe Boating Day: will take place in June

(IPFC) Immediate Past Flotilla Commander comments: No Report

Outside Elected or Staff Officers

(Vice DCDR if present)

Old Business: motion was made to reimburse Mike for inspection of PC mooring, seconded and passed. There was a brief discussion of the flotilla flag, this will be added as an agenda item for further discussion at our next meeting. Garth will pay our yearly lease fee to Brewer Greenwich Marina-South.

New Business: Charlie reported that the Coast Guard wants the Division to take an inventory of all manual pull life jackets that were distributed to VE by the Coast Guard. Charlie volunteered to take the inventory and report this information back to the Division.

A vote was taken by the District to pay all members national dues (29,000) which was passed after much discussion. A vote was taken by the District to change the date when

member dues are due to September 1. Debra Anderson was sworn in as the newest member of the flotilla.

Good of the Auxiliary:

Future meetings: NO MARCH MEETING; APRIL 12 (there will also be training on Thursdays in April and May) and MAY 10.

Meeting adjourned @ 2043.

Respectfully submitted, Debra Anderson