



MINUTES FOR LAKE GEORGE POWER SQUADRON BRIDGE/EXEC. COMMITTEE
HELD SUNDAY, MARCH 22nd, 2009 – Longfellow's Restaurant, Saratoga Springs, NY

Annual Meeting and Change of Watch

(Next Meeting – Wednesday, April 15th – 1900 – Offices of the Lake George Association)

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Past Commander Kevin McCarthy called the meeting to order at 1420.

PRESENT

Lt/C Kevin McCarthy, Education Officer
P/C Armand Canestraro
Lt/C Stephen Traver, Executive Officer (Membership)
Lt/C Bruce Catrambone, Administrative Officer
Lt/C David Wilkinson, Secretary
P/C Chuck Everson, Public Relations Officer
P/C John Jermano, Rules Committee
Anthony Rozek, Rules Committee
Marvin Snyder

Members, friends, and other guests

EXCUSED

Commander Joan Londynsky
Lt/C James Kelley, Safety Officer
P/C George Williams, Audit Committee
Lt/C Max Gollmer, Treasurer

ABSENT

GUESTS

P/D/C Susan Darcy
D/Lt/C Lacy Williams
Robert Terry, Sacandaga Power Squadron

EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT:

- No formal report.

EDUCATION OFFICER'S REPORT:

- No formal report.

TREASURER'S REPORT (delivered by Lt/C David Wilkinson, Secretary):

- The Treasurer's Report was delivered, in his absence, by Lt/C David Wilkinson, Squadron Secretary.

CHARTS:

- No formal report.

ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER'S REPORT:

- No formal report.

PAST DISTRICT COMMANDER'S REMARKS:

1. P/D/C Susan Darcy, who is also the Staff Commander for Leadership Development, offered a "thank you" to the Squadron officers for what they have done this past year. She indicated that she could tell from our stats that we are a dedicated group. Susan also noted that she uses the Lake George chart in the boating class she teaches and was quite surprised to see one of her students actually *fold* the chart, despite the fact that the chart comes rolled in a plastic tube. Susan offered to present a Leadership Workshop for the Squadron. This could be either a two-hour or longer program and she hopes to have a presentation ready for the middle of April.
2. 457 Merit Marks have been awarded, to date, to Squadron members. This translates to approximately 6.6 Merit Marks per member. Life Membership in the Power Squadron, the reward for which is that you no longer have to pay Squadron dues, is awarded to members who earn 25 merit marks. This is decidedly different from a "Life" prison sentence!
3. Susan called our attention to the upcoming D2 spring conference in Plattsburgh, where she will be presenting a workshop entitled "Everything you wanted to know about the United States Power Squadron but didn't want to ask." Plattsburgh is only about two hours from Albany. At present, no one from the Squadron is registered to attend.

AUDIT COMMITTEE:

1. Anthony Rozek presented a report from the Audit Committee. In their opinion, the books and records of the Lake George Power Squadron fairly represent the activities of the Squadron and contain no substantial errors.
2. Motion to accept the report made by Lt/C McCarthy. Second by P/C Everson. Motion passed.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE:

P/C John Jermano presented the report of The Nominating Committee. P/D/C Susan Darcy extended an invitation to those present to volunteer for the vacant positions of Administrative Officer & Treasurer. The following slate of officers for 2009-2010 was presented:

Commander – Stephen Traver
Executive Officer – Bruce Catrambone
Administrative Officer –
Secretary – David Wilkinson
Treasurer –
Assistant Treasurer – Max Gollmer
Education Officer – Kevin McCarthy
Asst. Education Officer – James Kelley
Members at Large – Max Gollmer; Peter Weil; Joan Londynsky; and Anthony Rozek
Rules Committee – James Kelley and Paul Kenney
Audit Committee – George Williams (3-year term)
(Note that P/C James Grzybowski & P/C David Stafford are presently serving terms & need not be voted on)
Nominating Committee – Joan Londynsky

P/D/C Susan Darcy inquired of the Secretary as to whether he had received any further nominations. He had not. She then asked if there were any nominations from the floor. There were none. Ms. Darcy called for a motion to direct the Secretary to cast one ballot, on behalf of the Squadron, to elect the propose slate. Motion made by Lt/C McCarthy. No discussion; motion passed. Going forward, Ms. Darcy suggested that family members interested in serving on the Bridge/Executive Committee should be encouraged to serve.

P/D/C Susan Darcy swore in Commander Stephen Traver, followed by the members of the Bridge and Executive Committee. Ms. Darcy also presented to Commander Traver a compact disc of information, which will be essential to him in his term as Commander.

COMMANDER'S REMARKS:

1. Commander Traver noted that he appreciates the honor and privilege of being elected to serve as Commander of the Lake George Power Squadron. Mr. Traver went on to share a power squadron moment from his youth, when he took a boating safety course. Indeed, Stephen and his friends found the adults in the Power Squadron to be somewhat silly folk and not a group that they would aspire to be a part of; yet here he is today having been chosen to serve as its Commander. It is truly a memorable moment.
2. Watch for an e-mail in which **Commander Traver**** will ask for help to roll more of our new Lake George charts to ready them for sale. As in the past, refreshments will be provided.
3. Commander Traver noted that increasing Squadron membership would be a major focus of his tenure. He does not wish ours to become a "squadron of Past Commanders." He plans to work together with the Lake George Association and others to increase our ranks.
4. If you have any ideas for programs or ways to improve the Squadron, please share them with him.

D-2 FALL CONFERENCE:

1. We have decided on Fort William Henry as our conference site. Dates are October 23-25. Events include a Friday dinner, breakfast & lunch on Saturday, a Saturday night dinner cruise, and Sunday breakfast. Guest programs feature a \$5/person shuttle service, which can get folks to the Mohican & Minni Ha-Ha steamships, The Glens Falls Museum (also known as "The Hyde") and area outlet stores. A 50/50 raffle will be offered during meals. **Past Commander Londynsky**** has offered two books of nautical illustrations as a prize. We can sell charts and burgees. Local boat dealers may prepare exhibits.
2. A brief meeting was held following the Change of Watch to discuss options, which P/C Canestraro is investigating with the hotel and other area venues relative to the conference. Those present included P/D/C Susan Darcy; Lt/C Bruce Catrambone, Executive Officer; P/C Canestraro; Commander Stephen Traver; Lt/C David Wilkinson, Secretary; and a representative from, I believe, the Berkshire Power Squadron, which is hosting next weekend's D2 spring conference in Plattsburgh.

MEMBERSHIP:

- No formal report.

SECRETARY'S REPORT:

1. The minutes from the March meeting of the Bridge/Executive Committee were presented to those present for review and information.
2. The Secretary's Annual Report was presented and is included as an attachment hereto.

SAFETY OFFICER:

- No formal report.

OLD BUSINESS:

- None to report.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Presentation of Officer's Flags was made to Commander Stephen Traver; Lt/C Bruce Catrambone, Executive Officer, and Lt/C David Wilkinson, Secretary.
2. Robert Terry, of the Sacandaga Power Squadron, noted that he is the District 2 Chairman for Vessel Safety Checks, and that Vessel Safety Examiners can contact him with any questions about the program.
3. Robert also asked that if you're not going to next weekend's D2 spring conference in Plattsburgh, that you consider helping to represent the Squadron at the Tri-Squadron information booth at the boat show taking place next weekend at the Dome Sports and Recreation Center in Queensbury. Information will be made available to attendees about upcoming boating courses offered by the Lake George, Sacandaga, and Mohawk-Hudson power squadrons. Robert went on to wish the Lake George Squadron a good year and is looking forward to working together with us.

GOOD AND WELFARE:

- Joan Londynsky and Peter Weil were unable to attend today's program due to illness. We wish them a speedy recovery.
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Motion to adjourn made by Lt/C McCarthy. Second by Lt/C Catrambone. Passed and meeting adjourned at 1514.

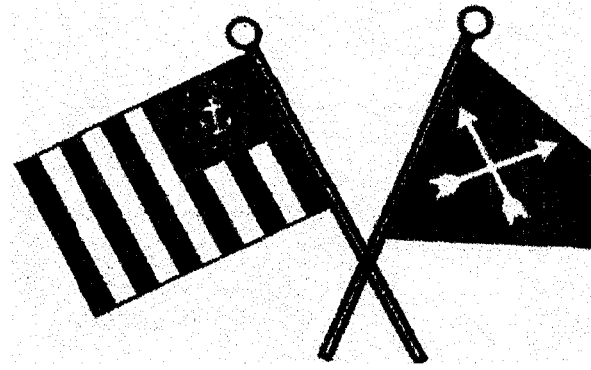
NEXT MEETING – APRIL 15, 2009 – OFFICE OF THE LAKE GEORGE ASSOCIATION OFF EXIT 21 OF THE ADIRONDACK NORTHWAY

*Respectfully submitted,
Lt./C David J. Wilkinson, Secretary*

cc: Committee members
Guests present
Historian/file
Susan Darcy (website)

Attachments:
Change of Watch Program
Secretary's Annual Report
Treasurer's Report

** - Action Item



Lake George Power Squadron

*Annual Meeting &
Change of Watch*

Sunday, March 22, 2009

The LGPS Annual meeting to be held during March of each year (LGPS By .. Laws, §9.3) will be held at the time of the Change of Watch on March 22,2009.

Ringing of the Bell

Report of Audit Committee

Tony Rozek

Call to Order Commander Londynsky

Pledge of Allegiance ... P / C Armand Canestraro, AP

Final Remarks & Discharge of All Appointed Committees
2008-2009

Invocation Alice Rozek

Commander Londynsky

Introduction:
District 2 Guests Commander Londynsky

Discharge of Bridge Officers 2008-2009 and Remarks of
Officiating District Officer
Stfl C Susan L. Darcy, IN

Past Commanders P / C Kevin McCarthy

Memorial Service P / C Chuck Everson

Report of Nomination Committee P / C
John Jermano

Secretary's Report. Lt/C David Wilkinson

Treasurer's Report Lt/ C David Wilkinson
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Installation of 2009-10 Commander
Installation of 2009-10 Bridge Officers Stfl
C Susan L. Darcy, IN

Squadron

Recognition/

Awards

Call Person

Merit Marks

25Year Membership USPS

Acceptance of Command 2009-10
Appointment of Committees 2009-10
Presentation of Officer Flags
New Business
Adjournment

Commander Stephen W Traver

Secretary's Annual Report 2009

Membership

Total Members - 64
New Members 1
Active members 40
Additional Active 6
Life Members 6
Additional Family Members 8
Women Certificate Holders 4
Senior Members - 21
New Senior Members - 1
Junior Family Members 1
Deceased Members 1

Transferred to LGPS 0

Achieved 50 Years of Membership 0

Received Merit Marks - (?)

Courses Taught

- Basic Boating
- Operations Training

Activities

March - Queensbury boat show

April - Change of Watch, Longfellow's Restaurant, Saratoga Springs

May - Northern Trek, Melody Manor - Lake George.

- Basic Boating & Children's Courses, Niskayuna High School

June - Vessel Safety Checks with Sacandaga Squadron - Mayfield Yacht Club, Great Sacandaga Lake

- Rendezvous, Manna's Restaurant

July - Picnic at Krause's Grove planned (**canceled due to lack of interest**)

- Canal Fest Boat Parade - *Caprice* piloted by P/C John Jermano took first prize!

Aug - Dinner cruise on Lake George aboard the *Lac du Sans Sacrement*

Sept - Bar-B-Queue at Flyboy Lodge (Lake George residence of member Buckley Bryant)

Oct - Cruise on the Hudson River aboard the *Dutch Apple*
Nov - Rendezvous at the *Ripe Tomato* in Saratoga Springs
Mar 09 – 2009 Change of Watch, Longfellow's Restaurant, Saratoga Springs

- Thanks to Susan Darcy for updating and maintaining our web site.
- We began selling our newly updated Chart of Lake George and have recovered our initial investment.
- The squadron received the Education Award
- *Soundings* received Award for Excellence in Journalism.

Respectfully Submitted

Lt/C David Wilkinson
Secretary