

## ***Beverly Sail and Power Squadron***

Beverly, Massachusetts 01915

### **A Unit of the United States Power Squadron**

#### **Minutes of the General Meeting 3 November 2011.**

##### **Bridge Members Present:**

Commander:	Cmdr. Raymond W. Tilton, AP
Executive Officer:	Lt/C Robert C. Saint Fournier, P
Administrative Officer:	Lt/C Jack Reed, P
Education Officer:	Lt/C Edward G. Walsh, SN
Secretary:	Lt/C Michael J. Madison, AP
Treasurer:	Lt/C John A. Hagar, AP
District 18 Commander:	P/C Alex Arcisz, JN

##### **Commander's Comments, Raymond Tilton, AP**

- Meeting called to order at 2026 hours.
- Pledge of Allegiance was conducted, followed by a moment of silence for our armed forces.
- Commander Tilton thanked Jack Reed and Robere Saint Fournier for preparing and serving an excellent dinner.
- Attendance was taken by sign-in sheet. A quorum was present.
- A reading of the minutes of the last meeting was not done, since they are posted on the web site. Accepted by membership.
- Commander Tilton praised our guest speaker, John Morris, on his book *Alone at Sea, Gloucester in the Age of Dory Men*.
- Contact the Commander for a free edition of *Eldridge (2011)*.

- It was noted that the On the Water training course may be open to the general public.
- Twenty Five Year Awards were presented to: Charles DeCoste, Mark Solomon, and Carol Quinn-Lebrun (not present)

#### **Executive Officer's Report, Lt/C Robere C. Saint Fournier, P**

- No report.

#### **Treasurer's Report, Lt/C John Hagar, AP**

- Dinner donations were \$ 67.00.
- There is \$ 2896 in the checking account.
- The Fidelity account has increased to approximately \$ 22,000 – an increase of over \$ 2000.

#### **Education Officer, Lt/C Edward Walsh, SN**

- The Advanced Piloting Course has been completely revised.
- Three assistant instructors are needed to run this course.
- In February we are planning to run the ABC Course in Gloucester and Wenham.

#### **Administrative Officer, Lt/C Jack Reed, P**

- We receive very high marks from national headquarters for our web site.
- Mariam Shafner spoke about new members generated by the national membership program. Since January 2011 twelve people have expressed interest in the Squadron, but none of them have joined the Squadron.
- Linda Seal said there will be an instructor qualification update this spring, and a new Instructor Qualification Course should be published soon.

**Secretary, Lt/C Michael Madison, AP**

- Karen Arcisz noted that the next Hanna's Banner deadline is 7 December 11.
- It was recommended that all officers should send a report for publication.
- It was also recommended that each member could update their roster information by themselves.

**Vessel Safety Checks (VSC), Walter Riley, JN**

- We did not make our goal of 100 VSC this year.

**District Commander's Comments, Alex Arcisz, JN**

- We finally have our first certified On the Water Trainer
- The District Meeting will be on 12 November at the JYC.
- The National Law Officer will speak on a pertinent topic.
- The next E-Board Meeting is 1 December.
- The next General Meeting is 5 January.
- Meeting was adjourned at 2054 hours.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lt/C Michael Madison

Secretary, Beverly Sail and Power Squadron