



CMCS Board Meeting Minutes June 14, 2016

The regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Caloosahatchee Marching and Chowder Society was called to order by Commodore Don Lawson, at 7:03 PM, Tuesday, June 14, 2016 at the Cape Coral Yacht Club.

PRESENT: Commodore Don Lawson, Vice Commodore Elise Missall, Rear Commodore Cruising Jean Blessing, Rear Commodore Racing Eric Milbrandt , Fleet Purser Tom Patterson, Fleet Yeoman Kathleen Vance, Past Commodore Allen Fiske, Directors Bill Cook, Russell Vance, George Noyes, Sandy Canning, Joe Barch

EXCUSED: Directors Paul Corzatt, Joe Barch, Jason Pim, Larry Jack

CONSENT AGENDA:

Minutes as distributed via email.

MOTION: Russell Vance moved to accept the minutes as distributed, Sandy Canning seconded and all approved.

Purser's Report as distributed via email.

Tom Patterson distributed the monthly Pursers Report in its new format. He mentioned several highlights: Accounting for the Change of Watch Dinner was moved from 2015 to 2016; Chowder Chatter added revenue of \$122; Racing revenue is down vs last year; Liberty Ashore expenses are up, however supplies were re-stocked and several kitchen items were purchased.

MOTION: Bill Cook moved to accept the Purser's Report as distributed, Elise Missall seconded and all approved.

OLD BUSINESS:

Don Lawson reported that he had distributed a draft calendar for 2017 to the board. He also gave this to the Cape Coral Yacht Club, and reported that all dates are confirmed with the exception of the Chili Cookoff scheduled in the Pavillion. This event will need to be re-scheduled, possibly for Jan 15th or 29th. Eric Milbrandt suggested that we schedule the cookoff on the same day as the race. Don will re-check availability for several Saturday dates in January.

NEW BUSINESS:

Non-Profit Status: Tom Patterson distributed a letter from the Florida Department of Agriculture indicating that CMCS's "Solicitation of Contributions registration" had expired. Tom explained that this does not mean that our Non-profit status has been revoked. Tom has dealt with this issue in the past and felt confident that he would be able to resolve the matter within the week.

OFFICER REPORTS:

Vice Commodore - Elise Missall reported that the CDC will meet between July and September, and that members are actively seeking officer and board candidates.

Fleet Purser – Tom Patterson reported that our first quarter sales tax has been filed, and the next filing is due in July. Tom also mentioned that mail was getting mixed up at our P.O.Box, and to be on the alert particularly for missing checks.

Vice Commodore – Summerset -- Committee

Commodore Don reported that the Summerset Committee is making good progress toward a successful event. We have several donations of high-value prizes for the Summerset Raffle. Kathleen Vance will assist Elise with the raffle. Venues have been set for the three on-shore events. Several transportation options were discussed. Russell Vance has finalized the shirt design with Applestitch and will establish lead times for ordering. Eric Milbrandt suggested that the NOR be simplified, and should be mailed out in August. The committee will meet next Monday.

Rear Commodore – Racing – Eric Milbrandt

Eric reported that due to bad weather the June Ladies' Day race was cancelled, however the party went on as scheduled, hosted by Ray Gherardini and Diane Fowler. Diane would like to re-schedule this race and Eric is working on fitting it in to the Oct/Nov. timeframe. Eric is working with the Summerset Committee on race activities. The PRO in place.

Rear Commodore – Cruising – Jean Blessing

The Memorial Day Cruise was run by committee and had 18 boats participating. Fishermen's Village cruise was cancelled. Bev Slager is heading up the "Innie-Outie" (Fourth of July) cruise and has slips available at the CCYC for a flat fee of \$20. The Parrot Head cruise, led by the Blessings, is set for August at Tween Waters. The Halloween Cruise will be held at Legacy Harbor Marina, headed up by Barry and Julie Long, Steve Romaine and Cindy Carlino. The "Rum and Reading" Cruise, will not take place as scheduled, since Bob Macomber will not be releasing his new book yet. Jeanne will check with Kim Brown on alternatives.

Committee Liaison Reports:

Chowder Chatter – Jean Blessing: Steve Roake is up north, so the "snail mail" copies will be a little late. Bill Cook volunteered to mail them out.

Clubhouse Programs – Allen Fiske: The June Meeting will host a combined presentation on Cuba, by Rick and Candice Thiele and Ray Gherardini and Diane Fowler. No plans are yet in place for July through Sept.

Fleet Recruiter – Russell Vance: All good

Sail Mate – Elise Missall: No update

Historian – Jason Pim: No report.

Ladies Bridge Club – Larry Jack: No Report

Liberty Ashore – Joe Barch: Joe forwarded a detailed report from Bev Slager to the board on the Bloody Mary Brunch, including overview and financials.

Public Relations – Eric Milbrandt: Eric reported that because the *News-Press* is transitioning to Naples, it is becoming more difficult to get reporters to cover local events. Joan Perkett continues to send a monthly update on CMCS to the *Club News* section, which unfortunately only goes into the Cape Coral Edition.

Technology – Kathleen Vance: No issues to report. Glen Vetter is in the Bahamas, Ian Davis is in Europe.

Storekeeper – Bill Cook: Nothing to report.

Sunshine over the Yardarm – George Noyes: Sigrid currently has all the supplies she needs.

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 7:59 PM

There will be no board meeting in July.

Respectfully submitted

Kathleen Vance, Fleet Yeoman