

Minutes

General Members Meeting

Beverly – Marblehead Sail and Power Squadron

September 6, 2016

The business meeting of the membership was called to order by the commander at 1900. 27 members were present and therefore there was a quorum of members.

After the Pledge of Allegiance, the commander asked for a moment of silence for our troops in Harm's Way.

The minutes of the May 4, 2016 general member meeting were approved as written.

Commander's Report: Commander Graham thanked Lt/C Reed for his preparation of the supper tonight. He declared that the evening cruise aboard the schooner Adventure on August 19th was a total success. 47 members and guests were present for the event and he suggested we might want to do it next summer. He stated that he has asked the captain of the Adventure to be our speaker at our May 2017 Corinthian dinner. He asked if anyone was interested in holding a Christmas party, but the consensus was that most people were already too busy during the holidays for us to schedule another event. He recognized P/D/C Alex Arcisz for achieving the 25-year membership milestone.

Commander Graham thanked the speaker for the evening, Barbara Warren, Executive Director of the Salem Sound Coastwatch, who spoke about the impact of sea level rise in Salem Sound.

SXO Report. Lt/C Pszeny stated that USPS national is in the midst of rewriting the cooperative charting program and to stay tuned for further details.

SEO Report. Lt/C Riley stated that we are closing in on 90 vessel safety checks this year. He also mentioned that the squadron will purchase another laptop, projector and screen for the conduct of classes. We are considering offering a new course – Electronic Navigation – and awaiting the completion at national level so that we can review it. We are considering doing an ABC course at Marblehead and checking on the availability of instructors.

SAO Report. Lt/C Ray Tilton talked about possible plans to provide on-the-water training next year. He appealed to members of the squadron for the use of a 17-21 foot outboard center console type boat for a day or two for training boaters on the basic skills, such as docking.

Treasurer's Report: Lt/C Smith announced that our bank balance was \$2,760 and Fidelity investments were \$50,194 as of September 5, 2016, for a total of \$52,955 in cash and investments.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 2025.

John F. Reed, LT/C, AP

Secretary.