



NORTH FLATHEAD YACHT CLUB
BOARD MEETING MINUTES (Revised)

March 10th, 2016 7:00 PM

Present: Officers: Commodore Phil Healey, Vice Commodore George Miche;s, Port Captain Dean Sirucek, Secretary Christa Handford, Past Commodore Brad Lane. Board members: Dick Graf, Carley Baumgarten, Lori Switzer, Patti Pennington.

Absent: Rear Commodore Kirk Kalbfleisch, Treasurer Maren Amotte. Board Members: Eric Hurst, April Russell.

Call to order: 7:07

Minutes from last board meeting:

Motion to Approve the February Minutes – Dean

Second – George

Motion Carries

Old Business:

1. Update on Dock Repairs and Cost Overrun. We appropriated 10,000 to Dockmasters. They were over budget 1800 dollars but they finished all of the work with brackets on that dock. There will still be over 10,000 dollars left in the dock fund.

The Lake-Shore Protection meeting with the county planning board was attended Dean and Phil. Our docks do not comply with the current words and regulations, but the wording will be changed. Our dock does conform because we went through the required permit system. It is important to keep our dock maintenance up. We should keep files showing the permits we have already obtained in a fire safe location.

2. FVCC Intro to Sailing Class Update – Kurt Hafferman was working on this and Dean was going to move forward with it, but he had not heard anything from Kurt. George will talk to Kurt and see what has been done.

3. Rewrite of Camping Rules, Wheeled Vehicles on Dock – Maren, Lori, and Karley will work on the verbiage and bring it to the next meeting for discussion.

Dock Lines - Dean presented a letter from Kurt Hafferman that he had received last year about his dock lines regarding rubber snubbers or springs. Did the rules change? Are springs no longer allowed? What is stated in the rules? The rules have not changed. Springs are still okay. It was discussed that we should keep the rules the way they are. Brad later found that it is in the policies and procedures from 2005 about snubbers only. The website needs to be adjusted so it is clear what the rules are. This issue needs to be addressed to make the rules clear and consistent.

4. Lori Switzer update on Spigot at Fire Pit – The plumber cancelled today. Central would be taking a look at installing it. Lori wanted to know if we could we approve 200 dollars to get this done? It may cost less than that. Dick made a suggestion that we not go through Central – it could be done cheaper by someone else.

Motion by Brad to approve up to 200 dollars for the water fountain project

Second – Dean

Motion Carries – 1 opposed

5. Weekday Morning Race – Lori updated that she has six boats interested. – They might schedule four races.

New Business:

1. Meet and Greet. Mike Frey prospective applicant for membership. – Mike was not here. Phil will call him and see if he wants to try to make the next meeting.
2. Insurance review – After review last year it was shown that our insurance is fine the way it is. Does anyone want to look into other insurance possibilities again? Patti will look at the policy regarding coverage for the board.

Officer/Committee Reports

Commodore – No Report

Vice Commodore – George – He is looking at three candidates: Mackenzie, Brenton, and a kid out in Buffalo, NY. None of them are certified from U.S. Sailing. It will be good if they can do the course here but we need to have enough interest to do it. Applicants would have to go to Seattle to get certified if we don't get the course here. Dick suggested that we should just get that scheduled. The course would be four days totaling forty hours. It would cost 370 to 440 depending on when you register. Participants would become certified to be a Small Boat Level 1 Instructor. George reported that they are working on the Montana Cup and looking at possibly putting on a short program from other groups. North University has some online webinars available to teach rules and tactics for 109.00. Lori asked about a magnetic board for sailing instruction.

Rear Commodore – not here - Dean asked about the plans for finishing the windows. Phil will ask Kirk.

Treasurer – no report

Secretary – no report

Port Captain – Dean said there will be someone from AIS to do a presentation at the work party. Dick's wife will do a talk on the AED.

Membership Committee - No report

Handicap Committee – Dick - PHRF – We really don't do any performance handicap rating. We don't need to send in our numbers because our numbers are just reinforcing the numbers we got from them. Phil said if we send it to them, it is published which is the only benefit. Dick said that there is a yearly membership fee that we should pay which is 140.00 dollars for US Sailing PHRF.

Motion by Dick to pay the 140.00 fee for fleet services but no boats

Second Brad

Discussion – Phil brought up that he thought we should pay the 195.00

Motion Fails

Dean made a motion to pay the 195.00 and send in numbers for 1 to 100 boats to US

Sailing PHRF

Second Brad

Motion Carries

Junior Sailing – Phil reported that April has some prices on spinnakers and poles.

Social Committee – no report

Website Committee – The calendar is updated

Long Term Planning – no report

New Topics for Next Meeting – Lori mentioned that we need to make date for the awards banquet (vice commodore and social committee should do that). Lori also mentioned taking a look at the swim ladders.

Motion to adjourn – Dick

Second Patti

Motion Carries

Adjournment – 9:01