

North Flathead Yacht Club
Board Meeting Minutes (Draft)
September 8, 2016

Present : Officers: Commodore Phil Healy, Vice Commodore George Michaels, Rear Commodore Kirk Kalbfleisch, Port Captain Dean Sirucek, Past Commodore Brad Lane, Treasurer Maren Annotte Board Members: Dick Graf, Eric Hurst, April Russell, Lori Switzer, Patti Pennington

Absent : Carly Baumgarten and Secretary Christa Handford

Members Present: Jim Thompson

Call to order 7:00 pm

Minutes from previous board meeting August 12, 2016

Motion to approve the minutes by Dean

Second Dick

Motion carries

Old business:

1) Review Painting bids for clubhouse exterior and interior of club room.

Motion by Dean to accept the bid from Signature Painting for \$8350.00 for both areas, paint to be supplied by NFYC.

Second Dick

Motion carries

Further discussion regarding the addition of painting metal railings.

Motion by Dean to include the railings for an additional \$900.00 (per bid).

Second Brad

Motion carries

Lori to contact Tom with Signature painting with bid acceptance, get a proposed schedule, ask for copy of insurance, workman's comp and ask for references for finished work by his company. and then will communicate this information to the board.

2) Member Jim Thompson gave a report, He is very concerned about the 2 barges or large houseboats anchored in the bay near the yacht club. He has contacted local authorities, DEQ and fish and game departments. A letter has been written by Margarite requesting the owners pump out the holding tanks. There is also a concern with leaking fuel on one of them. He asks the Board if anyone knows someone to speak to regarding this issue, and wonders if at some point legislatures need to be involved. He posted literature with this concern of his at the club, and in the bathrooms to motivate others to get involved. He would like the Board's support in the matter.

Phil said while we hear him and many people in the club do not like these 'barges', we are neighbors on the lake and that is not our property or in our jurisdiction.

3) Security System – Patti recommends we do not spend the money or get a system, it is ineffective in her experience.

4) Committee Boat – Motion by Lori to purchase lock for trailer. Second April, Motion carries. The committee boat was returned (after being stolen), with faulty wiring, Wes Hulla repaired this with our appreciation.

- 5) Lyman Boat update- Dean gave information regarding legal proceedings to rid the club grounds of this abandoned San Juan 28. His research concludes it could cost near \$1000 to get a legal judgment. Dean recommends we talk with the owner seriously before spending this money. Brad suggests filing an abandoned title, Patti will also look into this avenue. Maren would like us to go to small claims court to get movement of left property.

New Business:

- 1) Dean presented a proposed by-law amendment or addition regarding storage of member's boats on trailers for extended periods of time in the lot. He is concerned about the length that some sailboats sit there not being used or not in the water. Also he is addressing the need to eliminate the storage of hardware or accessories not attached to the trailer. Discussion's conclusion is that we are in support of a needed change, a possible fine for boats just being stored but the wording needs adjusting and clarified. board members are to present new proposed verbiage for next board meeting.
- 2) Phil – a neighbor and not a member– Michael Didier has been using the facilities and shower area. He should only be on the property to crew or work on a boat. He has been told this in the past. Motion by Brad, write him a letter reminding him of our policies. Dean second, Motion carries. Phil to write letter, Brad will deliver it.
- 3) Club apartment- Maren states that Carl is interested in renting it this winter. McKenzie Lane also expressed interest. Rental fees discussed. Motion by Maren to contact Carl with fees of \$200 per month and utilities of the amount over \$150 of the club's monthly bill. Second Lori , Motion carries.
Brad amended motion to offer apartment to a club member before a non-member at the same price. Second Dick, motion carries.

Officer/Committee reports

Commodore – Phil asks the board for ideas on a new fee structure, including dues and slip fees. He would like to see and increase to build up the reserve funds for facilities and docks. Please bring concrete numbers to the October meeting for discussion.

Vice Commodore- Racing is finished for the year, and it was good! He looks forward to even more participation next year, on all race days, and maybe even a short race series on a weekend morning! Results will be posted to the website. Our club did lend 4 optimists to the South Flathead Yacht Club for use last weekend. It was appreciated. A thought maybe to ask for a donation for further use of our equipment.

Rear Commodore – Kirk reported that the lower deck has been worked on by Wes, but still needs more. A quote was had for expandable epoxy with mesh for about \$1200. and should last 10-12 years. Beam on west wall under sliding door needs replaced, recommends doing it in the spring.

Work party – October 1st, 2016, 9 am begin. 2 dump truck loads of gravel to be ordered for property parking area before work party.

Treasurer – Motion to approve the Treasurer's report Brad, second Patti. Motion carries

Discussion about dwindling reserves and the amount of money spent on facilities and dock repairs/maintenance. Phil is concerned about the life of the wood on the docks. Dean said he would check on deck pricing.

Motion by Brad to authorize \$15,000 from the facilities reserve to cover painting expenses. Seconded Dean. Motion carries.

Membership Committee- 2 openings in membership at this time. November next application review.

Handicap Committee- no report

Junior Sailing – April presented the curriculum for next summer’s session. Discussion on fees for the sailing program. Recommend higher fees for increased costs and equipment. Motion by Maren for member’s children fees at \$100 first child, \$50 each child thereafter from the same family, and non-members junior fees at \$200 each. Second Dean. Motion carries.

Social committee- Patti reports she is looking for a facility for year end award banquet and date still to be determined.

Nominations for the Jellison Cup are:

Wes Hulla, Shelby Switzer, Steve McAllister, Kurt Hafferman, Doug and Bev Thornton

Nominations for the Sportsmanship Award:

Eric Hurst, Jim Pierce, Chris Holden

Board members to send their vote to Phil only.

New Topics for next meeting:

- Club Policies for posting or displaying flyers/ information , especially non-club news, etc.
- By-law change for yachts/ equipment left and not used for extended period of time
- ideas for new fee structure

Motion to adjourn – Dick

Second – Kirk

Motion carries

Meeting Adjourned 9:45

Respectfully submitted by:

Lori Switzer,
Board member