

**North Flathead Yacht Club
Board Meeting Minutes
March 6th 2013
Club House 7:00 pm**

Officers Present: Commodore: Tim Rogge, **Treasurer:** Maren Griffith, **Secretary:** Anne Muir **Vice Commodore:** Brad Lane

Board Members Present: Melanie Dardis, Mark Salisbury, Jack Muir, Bill Reed, Tobey Schule, Heidi Lane

NFYC Members Present: Ron Robinson

The Meeting was called to order at 7:00pm. Agenda was approved. Maren Griffith 1st, Mark Salisbury 2nd.

Minutes from the February meeting were read and approved. Maren Griffith 1st, Tobey Schule 2nd.

The club has received one new membership application. Marshall Noice and Bob Lincoln will sponsor this person.

Old Business:

1. Mark Salisbury presented a draft of the amended "A" dock slip assignment bylaws.

A. All slips on the north side of A dock shall be bid on only by regular members who currently own or intend to purchase a yacht 30' or longer. An "intent to purchase" form must be filed with the NFYC board prior to bidding. This form may not be filed in consecutive years.

B. A regular member who obtains a slip on the north side of "A" dock after (date to be specified) with the "intent to purchase" must be in possession of a yacht 30' or longer during that season or must release the slip for bid at the next auction, if a replacement slip of the correct size is needed and can be obtained.

C. Any slip obtained on the north side of "A dock" after (date to be specified) by a regular member who sell their yacht over 30 feet in length and is not replaced or is replaced with a yacht under 30' must release the slip for auction if a replacement slip of the correct size is need and can be obtained.

D. Slips on the north side of "A" may not be sublet to yachts under 30" in length.

E. If all other remaining slips of a suitable size are taken, a regular member who owns ;a yacht under 30' may petition the board for a "temporary occupancy waiver" in order to bid on and occupy slips on the north side of "A" dock until such time that a slip of the correct size can be obtained.

F. The amendment to the bylaws regarding slips on the north sid of "A" dock shall not affect slip holders of record prior to (date to be specified), nor shall it affect the rights and privileges of charter members.

The board will call a special meeting in April for all members to discuss and vote on this bylaw change. A notice of this meeting will be sent out to each club member via e-mail as

well as a hard copy sent via USPS.

2. All of the trees on the yacht club property have been wrapped and the holes in the fences have been fixed in order to deter the beavers from doing further damage to the trees. However, the beavers have moved to the east of our property and are busy cutting down trees on OShaunessy's property. The concern is, they will fall a tree close to the property line and this could potentially damage any boats parked against the fence line. The board discussed trapping the beavers. This option was voted down. We will leave the status quo for now and revisit other options if this becomes a bigger problem.

3. The club is still looking for someone to fill the "Port Captain" position. This is an officer position. Bill Reed (who is currently a board memeber) has expressed interest in this position. Tim Rogge will approach new member Bill Rauch to see if he would be interested in moving into Bill Reeds current board position if Bill Reed moves to the Port Captain position.

New Business:

1. Ron Robinson was present at the board meeting on behalf of Heinz and Deanna Irriger. The Irrigers have requested we issue a variance for one season only in order for them to obtain a slip at the club for their power boat. They have sold their sailboat due to age and health reasons and would like to continue being involved in the club. They have been long time contributing members of NFYC. This variance will be reviewed on a yearly basis. Maren made a motion to allow the Irrigers to have a slip for their power boat. Tobey 2nd. motion passed.

2. Melanie Dardis would like to head up a committee that would handle OSHA issues. She would like to put together a binder with information on the handling of all chemically based products on site (ie. paints, solvents, oil etc.) and possibly keep all chemically based products in a separate location. She would also like to see signs by the dumpsters that would prohibit members from dispensing their paint cans, oil etc. in the dumpsters. Melanie will recruit a few members from the club to help with this committee.

3. Ed Gilliland has contacted the board and has very graciously and generously donated his San Juan 7.7 to NFYC. The board discussed several options of how the club could use the boat.

A. We discussed possibly letting club memebers use the boat for various races, excursions, etc and charge them a cleaning fee.

B. We could possibly sell the boat and use the money from the sell to buy lasers for the JR. sailing program.

The boat would be monitored by the Port Captain.

We will contact Ed and see how he would like to see the boat used. Thank You Ed!!

Vice Commodore Report: The committee boat has gone to Captains Marine for work. Steve Nicholes will pick up the boat from Captains Marine and store it until the season begins. We have received 6 applications for the "Race Steward" position. Melanie and Brad will go through the applications and narrow down potential applicants.

Treasurers Report: Report reviewed and approved. Melanie 1st, Anne 2nd.

The beginners race class will start in May 19th. Pete Saurer will instruct this series. The 2nd race clinic will be Saturday 6/15/13, followed by a practice race.

Social Committee Report: All social events are on the calendar found on the NFYC web site.

Web Site Committee Report: Web site is up to date.

The Discovery Regatta will be held July 20th. This will be the last year for this regatta.

Melanie made a motion to adjourned. Mark 2nd. Meeting adjourned at 9:00pm.

Submitted by:
Anne Muir, Secretary NFYC