

**Grand Traverse Bay Sail and Power Squadron**  
Excom Meeting Minutes – April 15, 2017  
Cottage Garden Cafe – Traverse City, Michigan

**Meeting called to order** by Cdr. Jerry Williams at 1800.

**Excom Members Present:**

Cdr. Jerry Williams, AP – Present  
P/C Dave Terrell, AP SEO – Present  
Lt/C Bill Smethells, P Executive Officer – Absent  
Lt/C Janet Ward, P Administrative Officer – Present  
Lt/C M.R. Gillooly, S Secretary - Present  
Lt/C Catherine Holcombe, P Treasurer – Present  
Lt. Terry Hoiles, P Member at Large – Present  
Lt. Barb Lyon, AP Member at Large – Present  
Lt. Tom Lyon, AP Member at Large – Present  
Lt. Mary Petterson, P Member at Large – Present

**Members/Guests Present:**

P/C Bill Bailey, JN  
P/C, Tom Stone, P  
Janet Stone, P  
Madonna Williams, P

**Agenda:**

**Bridge Reports:**

Executive Officer – Lt/C Bill Smethells, S

\*No Report at this time.

Squadron Education Officer – P/C Dave Terrell, AP

\*There were three individuals enrolled in the Sail Course (2 of the enrollees were from a previous year).

Administrative Officer – Lt/C Janet Ward, P

\*The Elk's Club has indicated that they would like our Squadron to continue meeting at their facility. The Executive Board is in agreement to continue meeting at the Elk's.

Treasurer – Lt/C Catherine Holcombe,

\*The Squadron remains solvent. Motion by M.R. Gillooly to accept the Treasurer's Report; second by Tom Lyon; Motion Carried.

\*The Squadron will make a decision to invest some of our funds into a CD  
After investigating/researching CD interest.

Secretary – Lt/C M.R. Gillooly, S

\*Motion by Catherine Holcombe to accept the Secretary's Report as presented;  
second by Mary Petterson; Motion Carried.

Members at Large:

\*No Report/input at this time.

Commander – Jerry Williams, A P

\*Cdr. Williams reserved comments until later during the Meeting.

Past Commander – P/C Tom Stone, P

\*No Report at this time.

### **Old Business**

\*Dinner Meeting Programs for this year:

- May: Tow Boat US
- June: History of Rum
- No Programs for Sept., Oct., and Sept. as yet.
- Dec.: Change of Watch

### **New Business**

\*Cdr. Williams gave updates from D9 Spring Conference (March 24 & 25). Discussion followed presentation --- centering on:

- VSC inspections (now will include kayaks and paddle boards), and certification of inspectors
- uniforms
- Boat Operator Certification Program
- Co-op Charting Program
- possibility of changing the name of USPS to, perhaps, American Boat Association.

\*Cdr. Williams gave a report on our Squadron's membership.

\*P/C Dave Millross put forward for consideration a draft press release concept.

\*The Squadron is still looking for VSC inspectors.

\*P/C Bill Bailey is working on problems with the registration form for the Equality Cruise.

**Meeting adjourned** A motion was made by Tom Lyon to adjourn at 1845; second by Catherine Holcombe; Motion Carried

**Respectfully Submitted:** Lt/C M.R. Gillooly