

RE: OFFICERS & BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING OF PORTSMOUTH YACHT CLUB  
*Including corrections requested by R/C Gebow*

LOCATION: Portsmouth Yacht Club

DATE: Friday May 12, 2006

TIME: 7:00 PM

PRESENT: Cmde Clark, V/C Blanchard, R/C Gebow, P/C Caruso, P/C Wright, Capt. Seagren, Capt. Graper, Capt. Cunningham, Sec. Fleming

ABSENT: Capt. Pappas, P/C Williams, Capt. Roberts, Capt. Wajda. Treas. Rushforth

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Cmde Clark called the meeting to order at 7:02 PM by noting a quorum of the B of D was present.

SECRETARY'S REPORT:

Sec. Fleming began by asking if all members present had received copies of the notes of the April 13<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Board of Directors. He then asked for any corrections to, or omissions from, the reports. R/C asked Sec. Fleming to clarify the summation of the Board's conversation of the process of how to introduce a candidate for membership (per Article XI-Section 5 of the Constitution) to the Club members. With no other additions or corrections being requested by the Board Cmde Clark asked for a motion to accept the Secretary's report. P/C Wright moved to accept Sec. Fleming's report subject to revision, seconded and so voted. The log book will contain the amended report.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Cmde Clark distributed Treas/ Rushforth's report as (of) April 30<sup>th</sup> with a budget comparison for the year to date. The report showed operating income to date of \$185,433.00 with total expenses to date of \$22,768.00 leaving a net income of \$12,665.00 for the fiscal year to date.

With no additional questions by the Board Capt. Cunningham made a motion to accept the report as submitted, and place the report on file for future audit. This met with the approval of the Board.

REAR COMMODORE'S REPORT:

*Incorporates corrections requested by R/C Gebow*

Docks: Docks-In on 29 April was a mundane affair, no broken gear, no broken people. The potluck lunch, however, was anything but mundane with excellent dishes and no short supply. The electric and water hook-up will be completed if and when the weather gives us a break.

House: The awning over the grills once again took flight to be rescued by George Almgren. He recommends some modification to the original Gordon Chambers design to prevent a recurrence.

Slips/Moorings: We are experiencing the usual reluctant compliance with the insurance requirement for slips and moorings. A letter of reminder to the delinquents will be in the mail tomorrow, 13 May. The moorings are all in service with the exception of the Isles of Shoals. This delay is also weather related. I am pleased to report we have had our first mooring rental of the season with a two day stay by a British flagged catamaran.

## REAR COMMODORE'S REPORT, cont.

Staff: The remainder of the Staff with the exception of Ashley Burgess will be on board over the next two weeks. Ashley has been employed full-time in Boston. Our Steward, Sally McClellan, and Assistant Dockmaster, Nicole Lord, have been continuing to attend to the many small items necessary to ready the Club for full operation.

Launch: One final note – Contrary to a persistent unfounded rumor, the so-called fast launch **WAS NOT**, repeat **WAS NOT**, devoid of oil at Docks-In. The dock Staff reported that the oil level was a bit low. I examined the oil stick and advised a slight add. One pint brought it to the full mark. The engine holds 5 quarts.

There being no further questions or discussion, Capt. Seagren moved for acceptance of the Rear Commodore's report as originally given, seconded and so voted. *Upon review of the original written report of this meeting it was evident that an incorrect document had been inserted as the Rear Commodore's Report. The correct document is as shown above. kpr*

## VICE COMMODORE'S REPORT:

V/C Blanchard reported that the Docks-In went very well with generous amounts of food being donated for the Docks-In luncheon. Photos of the day's activities can be seen on the web site. The Ladies Committee Cocktail Party May 7<sup>th</sup> also went off without a hitch with many enjoyable comments from participants being heard. The yearly Wednesday Night Dinners will begin the 24<sup>th</sup> of May following the Opening Night Dinner Dance on the 20<sup>th</sup> of the month. Sailing activities for the month include the Members Regatta on the 27<sup>th</sup> of the month. It's a busy opening month for the Club.

There being no further questions or discussion P/C Caruso moved for acceptance of the report as presented, seconded and so voted.

## COMMODORE'S REPORT:

Comde Clark reported on the unauthorized use of PYC clubhouse and facilities. On Saturday, 6 May 2006 the Portsmouth Yacht Club dock, clubhouse and facilities was used without authorization by a non-member resident of New Castle for the purpose of embarking invited guests aboard a boat for the conduct of a marriage ceremony. In the interest of brevity, I will not go into the details of the incident in this report, except to say that the responsible person has been confronted and verbally reprimanded. The details of this incident and what steps (if any) can be taken to prevent a (recurrence) of similar events in the future will be discussed as part of tonight's agenda

In verbal discussions with Capt. Tony Syracuse, Chairman of the Constitution and By-Laws Committee, I informed him that his suggestion of a Q & A period with the membership (as outlined in his 3 May 06 e-mail) might warrant rethinking on his behalf. After further discussion he agreed that such a meeting may prove cumbersome and less than productive. We decided to let the BOD do the "word-smithing" in a meeting with the committee before submitting the final changes to the membership for approval. A special meeting in August 06 is anticipated for the purpose of laying the proposed changes before the membership for vote. This will facilitate a reduced schedule for the annual meeting in October.

The Membership Committee met informally during the Ladies Committee Cocktail Party on 7 May 06 to consider the application for PYC family membership of Philip and Jane Finn. The Finns were present at the party as a guest of their sponsors, Capt. Robert T. Mayer and Capt. Laurie P. Clark, who were also present. The committee approved the membership application of the Finns, and welcomes them to the membership waiting list. Welcome aboard, Phil and Jane Finn.

## COMMODORE'S REPORT, cont.

There being no further questions or discussion, R/C Gebow moved for acceptance of the report as presented, seconded and so voted.

### CURRENT BUSINESS:

Cmde Clark asked for any current business to be brought before the Board of Directors.

Cmde Clark opened discussion of the feasibility of a Special Meeting on 15 August to discuss anticipated recommendations from the Constitution and By-Laws Committee prior to the Annual Meeting. Capt. Graper commented (that) additional review was needed by the committee on the items under discussion. After general discussion this item was tabled subject to further review and input from the Constitution and By-Laws Committee.

Capt. Graper reported that PYC had prevailed in the dispute with BCOC and that the disputed invoice was retired.

Cmde Clark read a letter of resignation from Capt. Grove which stated they would be moving to the mid-west and that because the major activities of the Club had not as yet begun they were requesting a refund of the 2006-2007 seasonal dues paid. After general discussion by the Board this met with the Board's approval and Treas. Rushforth was instructed to return their annual dues. Their names will be taken off the membership list as having resigned in good standing. The next applicant waiting will be sent a "welcome aboard".

P/C Caruso reported that the Capital Improvement Committee (Capts. Almgren, Pappas, Syracuse, and R/C Gebow) had met the previous week to discuss the future needs of items needing repair and possible capital improvements to be considered. The committee plans to research further the schedule of needs and how to proceed. Cmde Clark thanked P/C Caruso for the committee's review.

Cmde Clark reported that a New Castle neighbor had used the Club and Dock to load their guests on their boat. Cmde Clark explained to the neighbor that this type of trespassing would not be tolerated in the future. This opened discussion by the (Board) on the need to control the use of facilities by guests of members and the need for our members to be familiar with the rules of the Club.

### NEW BUSINESS:

Cmde Clark asked for any new business to be brought before the Board of Directors.

Sec. Fleming suggested that a letter of appreciation be sent to Community Developmental Services for the use of their conference room this past winter. P/C Caruso commented that the Library will have a conference room for community use next year and possibly the Club could meet there next year.

There being no additional new business Cmde Clark announced the next meeting of the Board of Directors will be held June 8<sup>th</sup> at the Portsmouth Yacht Club, New Castle, NH.

This meeting adjourned at 8:40 PM

Respectfully submitted  
William F. Fleming/*Kenneth P. Roberts*  
Secretary