

**FRIDAY HARBOR POWER SQUADRON  
Executive Committee Meeting**

**MINUTES**

**Tuesday, January 31, 2012**

Meeting called to order by Commander Fred Bowen at 1300 in the conference room of the Friday Harbor Library. In attendance were: Cdr Fred Bowen, P/C Carolyn Bowen, SEO Travis Smith, XO Marc Forlenza, AO Bruce Galton, Treasurer Dan Watson, Asst. Secretary Judi Mio, VSC Burke Critchfield, Membership Chair John Towson, PBC Ann Einboden, Webmaster David Good and AO Elect Mike Clark. A quorum was present.

The Minutes of the Ex/Com Meeting for January 3, 2012 stand approved as prepared.

**Squadron Officer's Reports:**

**XO Marc Forlenza**

Marc deferred his report since his specific old business and new business concerns were on the meeting agenda.

**SEO Travis Smith**

Travis returned from the USPS National Meeting in Jacksonville, FL and reported that the event was informative and enjoyable. He participated in the seminar "Practical On-the-Water Training (POWT) and has offered the use of his boat for upcoming squadron on the water events as a part of the Seamanship class. Fuel cost would be compensated by FHPS.

Travis expressed that the seminars need to have at least 5 people per class. Friday Harbor Marine (Mike Close) may be a location for the smaller seminars rather than SJIYC.

**AO Bruce Galton**

Set for the March General Meeting is the Predicted Log presentation to be organized by Travis, Burke, Marc and Ann. A sign-up sheet will be passed around at the General Meeting for those interested in filling out the Predicted Log Skipper's form. The presentation is to emphasize the Predicted Log event as an enjoyable event and that anybody "can do it". A "how-to" fill out the form seminar will be conducted for the serious skippers. The Predicted Log will be in homage of Fred Hoepfner. XO Marc Forlenza moved and the motion was seconded by SEO Travis Smith that prize awards for 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and novice be accordingly \$200, \$100, and \$50.

It was agreed that logistics do not allow for members to post boats for sale on the website or in Harbor Lights, however they may be able to inform others of the sale of their vessel at the General Meetings with flyers or handouts.

**Treasurer Dan Watson**

As of January 31, 2012 the checking account balance is \$8,604.07; the savings account (Derelict Vessel) is \$ 6,014.67; and the savings certificate balance is \$ 2,679.13.

**Secretary Carolyn Haugen**

Absent-no report.

### **Committee Reports:**

#### **Membership Chair-John Towson**

No new members. We had one former cyber member who did not renew with FHPS following his 6 mo. free membership.

#### **Membership Involvement-Steve Percer**

Absent-no report.

#### **VSC and Safety Officer-Burke Critchfield**

Burke reported 550 vessel inspections were conducted in 2011. Inspection forms for kayaks have been ordered. No report given as safety officer.

#### **Public Boating Chair-Ann Einboden**

ABC class is scheduled for February 13, 2012, with 7 people registered so far. John Towson has two more students to enroll. Course manuals were back ordered and Ann was able to locate course manuals from the Bellingham squadron. Windows 7 and other software that is available to FHPS members will be listed on-line. The anchoring seminar taught by Ann will be re-scheduled to April 2, 2012

### **Old Business:**

- Derelict Vessel Program – **P/C Marc Forlenza** will be contacting Milene Henley to get information as to the progress of the program by the County so he may provide a status report to the individuals and businesses that have donated funds.
- Joanruth Baumann has asked Marc whether the FHPS may have any members who can assist with task of identifying offending vessels and buoys by providing GPS coordinates, recording decal numbers, photographs and other essential information. Marc will announce this at the General Meeting.

### **New Business:**

- D16 Spring Conference, **March 30 – April 1, 2012** – P/C Travis Smith brought to the meeting the registration packet, brochure, agenda and menu which have been prepared for the conference. Ten members from FHPS will be attending. Tasks will be delegated among the members. Two raffle baskets separately filled with nautical and local island gifts will be offered by FHPS.
- New FHPS Bookmarks—P/C Carolyn Bowen, with the help of David Good, has designed a new FHPS bookmark and has requested feedback. At the USPS National Meeting, Travis learned that the focus for the USPS logo will be designed as a nationally recognized brand.
- FHPS Change of Watch, **April 5, 2012**—P/C Carolyn Bowen looked into the San Juan Golf Course as an alternate venue to the SJIYC for the event and determined that the cost is higher, less square footage, and the location inconvenient for the people who are traveling by ferry. Bruce Galton will get the flyers out to the members.

- Website Course Sign-Up—David Good demonstrated that the course sign-up website is up and running. Both instructors and members have signed up. He would like to see more member involvement in the enrollment. A complete listing of the seminars and essential information is found on the website.
- Snug Harbor “Kids Don’t Float” Program—P/C Marc Forlenza reported that Lainey Volk will be providing the childrens’ PFDs. The stand will be constructed by Ed and Jan Ferro

**Other Business:**

Harbor Lights articles are due to Dave Good by 02/14/2012.

Next Ex/Com meeting – Tuesday February 28, 2012

The Meeting was adjourned at 1445

Respectfully submitted,  
Judi A. Mio  
Ass’t FHPS Secretary