

North Shore Yacht Club

Bridge Minutes

Tuesday May 12, 2020

1. Call to Order: The meeting was called to order via zoom call at 7:38 pm by L. Kulla

Present on the call: Linda Kulla, Commodore; Peter Hirschhorn, Rear Commodore; Carlo Zaskorski, Fleet Captain; Ruta Ledins, Secretary; Bill Palafox, Trustee; Evan Spence, Trustee; Roger Lifson, Trustee; James Ebenau, Trustee; Karen Verola, Trustee

Absent: John Trainor, Treasurer; Edward Flores, Trustee

2. Announcements: L. Kulla announces that J. Trainor has resigned as Treasurer and from the club.

3. Approval of Prior Meeting Minutes:

Motion: B. Palafox makes a motion seconded by P. Hirschhorn to accept the April 9, 2020 Bridge minutes as amended. The motion is approved unanimously.

4. Officer/Committee Reports:

a. Commodore's Report:

L. Kulla notifies the Bridge that the newly hired bookkeeper, Maryann Dalimonte is the Town of N. Hempstead Council Woman and that there may be a conflict of interest given her role in both organizations. This will be reviewed by the Ethics Committee of the Town of N. Hempstead and they will inform us of their determination.

The club is likely to remain closed through the end of May. Matt Meyran will be providing water taxi service until launch service is resumed, which is expected around Memorial Day weekend. Members should enter and exit through the Capri Marina Yard. Capt. Vic can prepare the launch for service with two days' notice. Two launch drivers are available once launch service begins.

The club will institute social distancing rules with respect to launch and club use. The Bridge discussed that everyone entering the club will be required to wear a mask and possibly gloves. Hand sanitizer will be made available to people coming through the Club. Social distancing will be maintained on the launch with seating areas designated with guidelines communicated to club members for transporting individuals and groups of family members. Members will be expected to read and sign a COVID Waiver covering themselves, family members and guests. These rules will be communicated to members prior to opening the Club.

Action Item: L. Kulla to communicate social distancing requirements to members prior to opening of the Club.

b. Rear Commodore's Report:

P. Hirschhorn has talked with the company that made the new deck awning about installing it for this year and they will do the installation in mid-May.

c. Treasurer's Report: Nothing to report as J. Trainor is not in attendance.

The Bridge reviews the Accounts Receivable report. B. Palafox will follow up with Alvarez, Covitz, Mora and C. Shkuda. L. Kulla will follow up with Moreno, Murphy, Rossi, Sucher and Ziev and R. Hirschhorn will follow up with J. Silverman.

Action: Send out letters to members reminding them to pay their membership fees and support the club.

d. Fleet Captain Report (see attached report):

Captain Vic is looking at fogging machines for sanitizing as it is simple and fast.

Other items discussed with Captain Vic:

- Sailing Canoe event schedule TBD
- Moorings: inspection complete, moorings in place, boats are coming to moorings.
- Work Boat: in water used for mooring work
- Dock Replace floatation-repair underway docks okay.
- Launches: Captain Vic has the launch boys standing by, ready willing and able, bottoms painted, must be unwrapped, Jim Thomson service will be coordinated by Capt. Vic. Launches are cleaned and waxed-done in spring. Launch Victor will receive a coat of non-skid deck paint by Capt. Vic. Replace fuel filters, probably Replace oil & filters July.
- Schedule launch Service - beginning of launch service must be determined.:
NSYC: using Matt Meyran water taxi
- Work Parties:
- Dingy Rack C. Schneider, R. Raskin, K. Magida and R. Oswald repaired and renovated the dingy rack
- Remove bubbler & service - bubbler was removed by Roger, Warren, and Peter H.
- Deck furniture put in place, Gov's Pause, TBD
- Undertoad, Commissioning is underway. Great response by Evan, Ernie, John & Neil. Marc Epstein has sails. Motor is in Bob Ebenau' s garage

e. Education: nothing to report

f. Membership and Marketing (see attached report):

Of the 5 Affiliate invitations to renew, 4 accepted to upgrade to Active. A few inquiries from Affiliate prospects for 2020, but it is too early to tell; new member inquiries are slow. 1 Social application received. 1 Social application in progress. Thus far, 1 new and approved Social Associate/Boat Share member (Dellaquilas) for 2020. Sid Alkon will not continue with Boat Share in 2020. The next Visitor Open House is planned for Sunday, Oct 25th

The Club Reopening & Accompanying Guidance drives our activities:

- Interviews - 2 Social Associate candidate interviews... (Tonnesen & Becker)
- Prospecting - Outreach with updates to hottest membership prospects
- Race Committee Zoom Seminar - Date and updated content
- Race Committee -
 - o -Social distancing & sanitizing from Club arrival, running the races, return and clean-up.
 - o -Race Committee recruiting
 - o -Race committee boat
 - o -Supporting our 2 race committee weekends, esp. for June 6-7 and June 13-14 and the operational variations we install. –

Blinker – Finalizing a concept and gathering the contributors based on a May 16 cutoff and June 1 publish date

Website – While now current. Will need to be updated (calendars, launch service, schedules, and other edits esp. within the Boat Share and Junior Sailing area. --Eblasts - As needed

g. Race Management (see attached report):

Racing: -The RMC, also operating one day at a time, has pursued “Best Practices” via webinars and forums from US Sailing and YRA and our own brainstorming about racing and race management adjustments in the Covid-19 environment (planning, less RC personnel, eliminate flags and use horns only to reduce RC staff, dinghy starts, fixed marks, single and doublehanded or family racing, on-line RC and skipper meetings and award announcements, social distancing for racers and race committees...and more).

All Club races, and the August 30th Moonlight Open Regatta are staged and “in-the-ready” as if no pandemic. We are poised to respond with sailing instructions changes, cancellations, postponements, or date shuffling as needed. Already: -NSYC’s May 30 Day Race Open Regatta was cancelled by us and with no postponement. -The Snyder Cup tied to the June 6 Club Cruise will likely be cancelled. -The Sunday, June 14, full crew Borden Cup Club Race will be swapped with the Singlehanded Epstein Cup race. -IC Regatta status is unknown -Start date for Thirsty Thursday racing has not been determined. -Sonar and MBOD one-design racing is cancelled for May.

h. Boat Share: nothing to report

i. Junior Sailing:

L. Kulla notes that but under the circumstances it is not clear whether the sailing program will go forward.

k. Investment/Audit: nothing to report

5. Old Business/Action Points – none

Action: Bylaws need to be updated to include investments; that will be done in the fall.

Action: R. Lifson to match new members to committees where they have expressed interest.

Action: P. Hirschhorn to get estimates for plumbing and electrical work.

Action: P. Hirschhorn to investigate Helly Hansen/other clothing for anniversary. He will need to get feedback from members regarding their interest given the cost. Will need to get orders from members and commitments to purchase prior to putting in orders.

6. New Business –

Action: K. Verola to investigate formally canceling the anniversary dinner given the COVID situation.

Action: R. Lifson suggests looking into face masks with NSYC logo

There being no further business, on a motion from R. Lifson, seconded by P. Hirschhorn the meeting was adjourned at 9:23 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Ruta Ledins
Secretary

