

NEWPORT YACHT CLUB  
Stoney Creek Inc.  
Board Meeting May 28,  
Home of Commodore Michael Rushton

**Call to Order:**

Commodore Michael Rushton called the meeting to order at 6:30. In addition to the Commodore, the following Board Members were present:

Peter Belanger	
Darryl Field.	Jeff Hansford
Nigel Reed.	Gavin Rouble
Zena Thomas	Janet Womack

**Regrets:** Wes Cox

**1. Additions / Approval of Agenda:**

(1.) Commodores Council Meeting June 3, 2019

(2.) Appointment of Acting Commodore

Motion to approve the Agenda as amended was proposed, seconded and carried

**2. Approval of Minutes:**

Minutes of the April 30, 2019 Meeting were reviewed.

Motion to approve the Minutes was proposed, seconded and carried

**3. Business arising from the Minutes:** (Carried over until completed or amended)

Report on the status of these items carried over:

- **Big sign lakeside** at entrance is needed with info for visiting boaters. Sign will need large easy to read LARGE font and lighting at night. Property getting quotes.
- **Increasing VOLUNTEERISM:** Director at Large was asked to take on the task of finishing what the 2018 Board began to document volunteer hours needed and develop a tracking system for volunteer hours – mandatory hours may be needed at some point and having facts will help us quantify the total cost to run this club. A Spread Sheet was sent to the BOD. Each Director has been tasked to develop a list of jobs, volunteer hours required and add them to the Spread Sheet before next BOD Meeting. The Spread Sheet will then be posted in the Club House. Members will then be asked to fill it in with their name. Each square of the Sheet represents one hour of volunteer time. Board member had presented research on volunteer hours and charges in lieu of hours previously. Best estimate to date is it requires 812 non director Volunteer hours. Membership will be advised of volunteer requirements at next A.G.M. or Special G.M.
- **Finance Committee** to review the terms of the Club's loan since less than three years to renewal. **In progress.** The Treasurer will also explore moving the Year End to mid August since A.G.M. in

November are not as well attended as Summer General Meetings. The Finance Committee will also be required to define the sources of money needed for the Club.

- o **Jewitt charges for maintenance and services – 2 slips**– Considering the Club has annual budgeted expenses of approximately \$220,000 per year, a fair cost for maintenance, dredging and utilities appears to be about \$2000 per slip. The Commodore will attempt to negotiate when detailed costs are known. **In progress.**

## **5. Standing Committee Reports**

### **Treasurer's Report**

1. Highlights of the P& L. Dredging for 2019 not yet showing on P & L.
2. Accounts Receivable Outstanding and Collection Plan - Currently at \$15,000+/- . One new member and rest is over 30 days.
3. Instalment Payments over 10 months will be implemented.
4. The Treasurer expressed a desire to change the fees to \$60 or \$61 per foot and an annual Membership Fee of \$500. The Treasurer was asked to research prices charged at other clubs.

### **Social Update:**

5. Fishing Tournament was lots of fun with a great party and good food afterward. Profit was \$518. A special thank you to Darryl Field for his donation. Only three boats outside the Club participated. Weather was a problem. Minor changes in rules and fees will be implemented next year. Next year's tournament will be held in June.
6. M & M for May 31 will be Corn Beef sandwiches. Social Committee will look into Saturday M&M and changing start time for Fridays to 7:00PM.
7. June 8<sup>th</sup> opening party - 80+ tickets sold to date with expectation of sales at 125 by Sail Past.
8. Committee is also looking at a fund raiser Lobster Dinner on a Saturday. Kid pricing will also be considered.

### **Membership Update:**

9. Update on New Boats in and leaving – update sent in advance. We are up 23 boat feet over last year with potential for more. We had 23 new members last year and we are at 18 new members YTD.
10. Skills inventory – New Member info is being given to Darryl.

### **Marketing Update:**

Mayor will not be attending Sail Past.

News Letter is almost ready for publication. Need pictures of Fishing Tournament and Commodore's comments.

Clothing - New volunteers will be handling clothing sales. Clothing will be on sale at opening party.

Member Handbook - almost ready for publishing.

Reciprocals visiting will be asked to complete a form for Marketing.

Web Site – new member is now doing a great marketing job on Face Book, Instagram and the Web Site.

Great Lakes Boating - want to take pictures of our harbour.

## **Property Update**

Water Level - very high due to storm surge, fluctuating 6 to 8 inches in 10 minutes. Membership director did a great job protecting boats today. Pedestals are safe until water rises 4" above the docks. Floating Docks can stay powered but fixed docks may need electrical power to be turned off. Repairs to docks will be needed after water level goes down. We should be putting up "USE AT OWN RISK" signs. Some members have been replacing the boards on their finger docks.

### **OnWater Update:**

11. Cruising – Outbound cruises messed up by high water levels. We will start planning for 2020 and 2021. Possible cruises to Wilson and other U.S. harbours. Cruises for 2019 will be listed in the News Letter. Email Nigel to sign up.
12. Pontoon Boat -"Navionics" has been installed to update harbour chart. Mechanical issues are being addressed.
13. Sail Past - All in hand and Macassa Yacht Club will be joining us for Sail Past.

### **Club House Update:**

Aintree correspondence was reviewed. Committee member spoke to I.B.I. regarding Aintree and other options for moving forward. I.B.I. said they advised Aintree of the setback requirement.

A Contractor and former member has asked for information in order to develop a proposal. The Treasurer suggested putting out a R.F.P. to the public. Since no one at the Club has the time to supervise this project, it was the unanimous decision of the BOD that a R.F.P. will be developed by Commodore, Club house Chair and Secretary-Treasurer and sent to prominent local developers.

Developers suggested are: Mars, Losani, Desantis and Brad Reeve of Rosedale Properties.

### **New Business:**

#### **Council of Commodores**

Membership Director was appointed to attend the Council Meeting in Toronto on June 3rd. Another director will also attend.

#### **Acting Commodore**

Vice Commodore of Social was appointed Acting Commodore in the absence of the Commodore.

#### **WIFI for Harbour**

Member at Large advised the best option would cost \$8900 for equipment and ongoing cost of \$150 per month for 6 months to cover the harbour. Various funding options were discussed. The BOD unanimously agreed to spend \$8,900 for the equipment.

### **6. Next Meeting:**

The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, June 25, 2019.

### **7. Adjournment:**

The meeting was adjourned at 8:50 PM.