



Fleet 17 Boat Club - Meeting Minutes Tuesday, October 7th, 2025 @ Port Edwards

Meeting was called to order at: 7:15

Attendees: Valerie Machalski-Robinson, Carrie Davis, Debbie Harr-Pearson, Dan Pearson, Craig Peterson, Mark and Michaela Haveman, Carol & John Fritz, Skip Robinson, Ed Gallek, John and Karena Christiansen, Tom and Patti Fernstrom, Nancy Van Broekhoven, Doug Caughran

Motion to Accept Minutes from previous meeting: John Fritz

Seconded: Nancy Van Broekhoven

Officer Reports:

Harbor Captain –Carrie Davis

Next Meeting will be Tuesday, November 4th, 2025 @ Port Edwards

Fleet Commander –Valerie Machalski-Robinson

Sponsor of the month/social at Hidden Tap was another good turnout. Thanks everyone for attending! Next sponsor of the month/social is October 23rd at 6:00pm at The Maple Tree Inn, 101 N. First St., Cary.

Crockpot Cookoff had 23 attendees with 7 crockpots. Winners: 1st place-Kathy Gallek for beef stroganoff, 2nd place – Cheryl Ruhlander Williams for Rueben Dip, and 3rd place – Jennifer Summerhill-Prislinger for Apple Crisp.

Meat Raffle is October 18th at 1:00pm at All Inn Pub & Grub, 1502 Jones Ave, Holiday Hills/McHenry. Proceeds go towards Venetian Night.

Save the date for the Christmas Party – December 13th at Cary Country Club.

It helps when people press the “like” button on the Fleet 17 events on Facebook. It will reach a larger audience if it receives a high number of likes, comments, and shares.

Membership- Sue Ambler -

Currently we have 111 members, 51 memberships, 24 Sponsors

We have Fleet 17 stickers printed. Small, Large and Large sponsor stickers. \$2.00 – small, \$5.00 Large. Sponsor stickers are free to sponsors.

Don't forget to write “Fleet 17” on your restaurant receipts so they know their sponsor dues are being recognized.

Sandra Pieri is selling decals of the river/chain- \$40 for an 8x10, \$50 for an 11x14

Cruise Master –Al Ehlers – Absent – Report read by Carrie Davis

Beginning Balance = \$4,994.97

Expenses = \$782.72

Income = \$230.00

Ending Balance = \$4,442.25

Details are always available upon request.

Motion to accept Treasurer's Report – Debbie Harr-Pearson **Seconded:** Valerie Machalski-Robinson

Vice Commodore -Debbie Harr-Pearson

First Mate -Bruce Ambler – ABSENT

Commodore Doug Caughran – So many more activities this year and is excited about the new year.
Valerie said we should do a bowling event

Admirals Report

Tom Fernstrom –

Ralph Wenzel – (absent)

Dave Vogeler – (absent)

Kathy Krah – (absent)

Craig Peterson –Welcome to the board!

Rhonda Lee – (absent)

Fox Waterway Report – None

You can find Fox Waterway meeting minutes at foxwaterway.com, under meeting agendas.

Doug – Tom Fernstrom has been going to the meetings. Doug went as did Ralph Wenzel. Only one person allowed to represent Fleet 17. It would be good to have representation. Bill Heller is leaving.

Unfinished Business-

New Business-

Trick or treat on the river, party at debs for that . Bring a dish to pass if you want to come.

Debbie Pearson – Trick or treat on the River – October 12. This is not a Fleet 17 event.

Is anyone interested in getting a Fleet 17 shirt. We have only had Fleet 17 Venetian Night shirts. Mark will do the print the shirts and sweatshirts – maybe some jackets

Sue – we talked about doing a flea market idea – it used to be done in the past. Bring your stuff and sell it, and the money or at least half would go to the club. Sell stuff you want to get rid of, kind of like a garage sale. Andy said maybe have one table and we all work together. Club would organize it. We would only pay for one table to be in it. Craig said Dillon would accommodate us if we wanted to do it here. Doug says do it in the spring before boating season starts. Advertise for Fleet 17.

Prop Sucker:

Prop Sucker goes to Sheri!!

Meeting adjourned at: 7:40

Approved by – Ed Gallek

Seconded: Carol Fritz

(argggghhhh!!!!)

2026 Board

Commodore- Doug Caughran

Vice Commodore –Debbie

Harr-Pearson

Cruise Master - Al Ehlers

Harbor Captain – Carrie Davis

Fleet Commander – Valerie Machalski- Robinson

First Mate – Bruce Ambler

Membership Chair – Sue Ambler

***From Inception to Present - Admirals
Past Commodores) are:***

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