U. S. Coast Guard

Chief Petty Officer Association

Grand Haven Chapter

**July 15, 2021**

**General Membership Meeting Minutes**

Minutes

1. Meeting called to order at 1838.
2. Members in attendance: BMCM Beatty, BMCM Moore, BMCS Stepien, BMC Karpin, MSTC O’Neil, HCPO Niemiec, ETC Locklear, MKC Light, BMC Lauters, HSC Girvin, BMC Cucovatz, and CWO Yoder.

Guests in attendance: None

1. Minutes: Previous meeting minutes reviewed and accepted with change to treasurer report balance.
2. Treasurer Report: HCPO Niemiec submitted treasurer report. Reported balance as of 7/15/2021 is $15,213.19. Report accepted.
3. Communications:

* Nothing to pass

1. Committee Reports

a. Community Service: BMC Fiore reported for the Escanaba Park Memorial: 1 KIA in 2020, 1 brick to install, 1 brick for next of kin, he’s picking up 2 bricks on 21 Jul from Vanderwall Brothers. Escanaba Park Field Day - 23-24 July- 0900- ? - He needs at least 6 volunteers on Friday the 22nd and 4 volunteers on Sat 24th. Email sent to MSTC O’Neil on 6/13 requesting volunteers. He’s rcvd RSVP’s from HCPO Niemiec, MKC Light, and BMCM Beatty. The worklist will be adjusted for the # of volunteers present.

Worklist to include-

1- Grass edging & removal

2- Blow down all hard surfaces

2- Trash removal

3- Sand & Polyurethane Escanaba Memorial Stanchions, 4 coats of poly over 2 days

4 – Scrub all bricks in Escanaba & RCS Memorials

5 – Shine bright work on the Brass Plaques

6- Buoy Display – Cob wed removal

Merchandise: Pre-order Polo shirts- 10 have been requested the minimum order is 12, as soon as he receives the minimum #, he’ll place the order.

* + 1. Burger Night: HCPO Niemiec reported that he signed the Chapter up 20AUG and will get more info on any changes from Pre-COVID events.

ii. Adopt a Highway Report: BMC Lauters reported that he found a better/safer

spot on M45 to Lincoln. He will submit request to change our location. Next clean-

up expected in the first week of Sept.

* 1. Membership: MSTC O’Neil reported that he received verbal confirmation from the newly reported Chiefs that they have joined the Chapter.
  2. Finance, Budget & Investments: HSC Girvin will conduct an audit on Chapter finances.
  3. Publication & Public Relations: Nothing to pass.

i. Facebook Page and Website: Golf Outing Signup genius is posted

* 1. Standing Rules and Regulations: Nothing to pass.
  2. Fundraising
     1. Water Tent Committee: CWO Yoder reported that we are good on water for the festival. We will get ice through the Festival Committee with a golf cart. We still have a lot of vacancies on the sign-up sheet.
     2. Golf Committee Report: BMC Lauters reported we have received two $500 sponsorships. 25-30 companies have been contacted. He will need to draft thank you letters to sponsors. Looking into providing balls to golfers. HCPO Niemiec will get the trophy updated. Looking into metal anchors for non CG winners.
     3. Raffle: At the time of the meeting, the raffle spreadsheet had 365 tickets sold for $3160.
  3. Activities:

i. Visiting Chiefs Picnic: BMC Fiore reported that the flyer has been email out, request rsvp’s from visiting ships, Bucky & Morrow Bay rcvd, Contacted Chef August: request quote for 50 people, 2 beers are brewed. We’ll need 2 cases of water for the cookout.

ii. Chapter Scholarship Program: Will be awarded at the picnic. BMCM Beatty will have large check for presentation.

1. Old Business:

a. Nothing to pass.

1. New Business

a. Social Dinner: Skip August due to CG Festival workload.

b. BMCM Moore brought a motion and BMC Cucovatz seconded to purchase gift cards for unit EPOQs. Passed to add a $1200 budget line item for next year.

c. BMCM Moore brought a motion and BMC Lauters seconded to have a turkey toss cornhole tournament in November. Details to be determined later.

1. Good of the Order:

a. National Convention 02-05 Aug

- MSTC O’Neil is attending.

- National asked for duty drivers for the Convention but we cannot support.

- Conducting community service project on USCGC MCLANE.

- Provided requirements for COTY nominations.

1. Moment of Silence observed for those who have gone before us
2. Next Meeting: **19 AUG 2021, 1830hrs**
3. Meeting Adjourned 1945.