Chief Petty Officer Association

Grand Haven Chapter

**March 17, 2022 Meeting Minutes**

In attendance: BMCM Mike Beatty, BMCM Marc Moore, MCPO Lee Schmiedeknecht, BMCS Greg Stepien, BMC Mark Lauters, MSTC Brian O’Neil, BMC David Karpin, BMC Dave Cucovatz, ETC David Peterson, HSC Al Girvin, BMC Steve Huffstutler, BMC Tony Fiore, CWO Roland Ashby, and HCPO Bob Niemiec.

1. 1832 Call to Order & Pledge of allegiance MSTC O’Neil
2. Welcome new members & guests MSTC O’Neil
3. Review and acceptance of February minutes MSTC O’Neil
   1. Motion to accept by BMCS Stepien and seconded

by BCMCM Beatty. Minutes approved.

1. Review and acceptance of Treasurer Report HSC Girvin
   1. Balance as of 3/1/22 is $26183.62. CCTI Fund is $6723.00.
   2. Motion to accept by BMC Fiore and seconded by

BMCM Moore. Report approved.

1. Communications MSTC O’Neil

a. Nothing to pass

1. Committee Reports
   1. Community Service BMC Fiore
      1. Burger Night HCPO Niemiec
         1. Next burger night scheduled for May 13th
         2. Email to follow for volunteers
      2. Adopt a Highway BMC Lauters
         1. Spring clean-up scheduled for 26 April at 0900 with rain date for 28 April.
      3. Escanaba Park BMC Fiore
         1. USLSS Brick Memorial - Approved and bricks are ordered. Installation scheduled for the week before Memorial Day.
         2. USLHS Brick Memorial – Tentatively scheduled for CY2023.
         3. Stanchion/Lifeline Replacement – One day a week of sanding stanchions in July with all hands field day right before August, working on source for recycled plastic cedar stanchions that won’t require sanding going forward.
         4. BMC Karpin working on new hi-res buoy image.

iv. CG 41448

1. CWO Yoder is the new POC.

* 1. Membership BMCM Beatty
     1. Chapter membership – 74 members
     2. Business cards printed and available.
  2. Finance, Budget & Investments HSC Girvin
     1. Attended virtual finance training with National. Waiting on more info regarding Quickbooks training.
  3. Publication & Public Relations BMC Reed
     1. Facebook page & Website BMC Fiore
        1. Website and Facebook page updated. Please send photos to BMC Fiore, MSTC O’Neil, or BMCM Beatty.
  4. Standing Rules and Regulations BMC Cucovatz
     1. Nothing to pass

f. Fundraising BMC Huffstutler

i. Water Tent Committee MKC Light

* + - 1. On top of the list for a surplus tablet from GVSU. Currently have a standalone smart phone to utilize square for purchases. (BMC Fiore)
    1. Golf Committee Report BMC Lauters
       1. Penciled in for Muskegon Country Club on 12 SEP at $95 a person with golf and food.
       2. Looking for potential sponsors.

iii. Merchandise BMC Fiore

1. Quote requested from CMA Industries for laser cut steel Chief anchors

and received quote for Vanguard Chief bottle openers.

4. Requesting list of merchandise to be sold at the CPOA Convention by

01MAY.

iv. Raffle BMC Huffstutler

1. Researched raffle for 2022 with a tentative budget request of $2000.

2. Bookkeeping issues from 2021 would need to be resolved, specifically

sales from the water tent.

3. BMCM Moore stated Charity Mania as an option for next year.

4. Chapter discussion whether a raffle is needed this year.

5. Motion made by BMC Karpin to table the raffle discussion until next

year and determine if the funds are needed then. Motion seconded by

BMC Fiore. Motion passed to table the raffle discussion until 2023.

g. Activities BMC Karpin

i. Visiting Chiefs Picnic BMCM Beatty

1. Date and location set for 01AUG at 1800.

2. Flyer completed and will be sent to visiting cutters.

3. Catered by Chef August with Quality Catering.

ii. Chapter Scholarship Program BMCS Stepien

1. Scholarship has been advertised but no applicants received.

1. Old Business

a. By-laws review MSTC O’Neil

1. Updated by-laws presented to membership for approval.

2. BMCM Beatty motioned to strike the two Membership Committee assistant

positions. Seconded by BMC Karpin. Motion passed.

3. BMC Karpin motioned to accept by-laws as amended. Seconded by BMCS Stepien.

Motion passed to accept updated by-laws as amended.

b. 2022 Michigan International Speedway NASCAR Race BMC Cucovatz

1. Not worth it a fundraiser. No further discussion.

8. New Business

a. BMC Karpin received in inquiry for membership to write letters to the editor against pro-

marijuana legislation. Discussion to ensure no statements are made implying GHCPOA

opinion on the matter.

b. Good of the Order Membership

1. Reported that there is a potential donation to the Chapter from Tom Sterns from

realtor class proceeds.

2. BMC Fiore stated that he is a member on a task force for the future of Harbor

Island. Let him know if you have suggestions/input.

3. BMC Fiore brought up inviting Rob Kumpf who donates time/money to the Chapter

to a future Chapter meeting. Membership agreed and MSTC O’Neil to invite him to

a future meeting.

4. Next Chief’s Night Out dinner to be scheduled in June.

9. Moment of Silence for those who have gone before us MSTC O’Neil

10. Next Meeting **21 April 2022, 1830hrs**

11. Motion to adjourn by BMCM Beatty. Seconded by BMCM Moore.

Meeting Adjourned at 1942.