



**September 11, 2007
Meeting Minutes**

Meeting called to order by Commodore Pat Meraw at 7:55 p.m.

Roll call of officers present: **Commodore – Pat Meraw, Vice Commodore – Dale Hardy, Rear Commodore – Curt Stafford (excused) , Treasurer - Rod Erwin, Secretary - Kirk Stefanski, (excused), Temporary Secretary – Lisa Colombo (excused), Fleet Captain – Wayne Johnson, Delegate P/C - Sharon Cisco, Newsletter Chairperson – Sharon Cisco, Clothing Chairperson P/C – New Clothing Chairperson -Sandy Hardy (excused) Sergeant at Arms – Paul Tabor (excused), Paul Jankowski (Harbor Club North Marina) (absent). Also present: Members P/C – Gerry Leismeister GUESTS: Theresa Johnson**

Pat Meraw asked if we still had the bill for the steak & corn. He thought everything was good but remembered seeing the corn @ \$6 per dozen and that could probably be purchased for less, like \$2-\$3 a dozen. Nothing against Lee or anything. The receipt was checked and it was reported that we paid \$59.85 for the corn. Schots gave us a good price on the steak but we could do better w/ the price on the corn. It tasted good though. We had about 3 dozen left. We bought 20 bags of ice and had quite a bit left. We have to fill a form out and \$20 to send to the State of MI to show we are a non-profit organization. That is due this month.

A motion was made to accept the Treasurer's Report. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

2007 Club Officers

Commodore
Pat Meraw

Vice Commodore
Dale Hardy

Rear Commodore
Curt Stafford

Treasurer
Rod Erwin

Secretary
Kirk Stefanski

Fleet Captain
Wayne Johnson

Delegate
Gerry Lesmeister

Sergeant at Arms
Paul Tabor

SECRETARY'S REPORT:

Previous minutes approved w/ correction on purchase of raffle ticket for Brother Chris. Ticket not purchased by Harbor Club.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Rod Erwin reviewed the current checkbook balance of \$3,980.48. We wrote a check for clothing for \$190.21 and a check to Lee Jones for booze tickets \$59, Sharon Cisco for mailing \$28.87, Lee Jones for steak & corn was \$361.17, Nellie Lesmeister \$215.13 for steak dinner, we gave the Shriner's Yacht Club a donation for \$450, on 8-27-07 deposited \$1,910 from the cook out, leaving a balance of \$4,578.10. On the bottom you will see a line and on the left there is the 50/50 drawing which was \$99. On the barrel of booze we sold 248 tickets for \$1,240, the booze costs \$307, minus the cost for the tickets and a donation to Shriner's for a profit of \$424 on the raffle. The steak dinner we sold 69 tickets @ \$12 or \$828. There were additional monies given of \$27 for a total of \$855. Lee Jones paid \$361.17 for food and Nellie paid \$215.13. We estimated Sandy @ \$90 and the party store @ \$50 for ice. Profit \$138.70. We got \$13 back on the ice and there was an additional \$24 for a profit \$175.70. A grand total with the 50/50 for \$99, raffle for \$424, steak dinner \$175.70 equals \$698.70 total profit. We sold 300 tickets last year and made a little less on the barrel of booze this year with lower ticket sales, but we still did very well.

DELEGATE'S REPORT:

- Gerry Lesmeister gave the report. I will make this short and sweet. There are flyers on the table you can pick-up. Our Mt. Clemens Lodge #6 is having a hayride and a bon fire on Saturday, October 13th at Coon Creek Cider Mill. The bon fire will be at a member's home. A motion was made and passed to make this an official event for Harbor Club.
- **ABYA Christmas Party Honoring Commodore Terri Calihan** will be at Fern Hill on December 1st. Tickets are \$63 p.p.
- **Shriner's Christmas Party @ Mac Ray's** info to follow soon.
- **Next ABYA Spring Rendezvous** will be in Bay City. It is \$425 per couple and I don't go anymore due to the expense as well as the cutting out of activities. I went for 7 years in a row and don't go anymore. The raffle tickets for ABYA are \$1 each and I would like a motion that the Club buy half of the tickets given to us; 150 were given. They have dropped the price from \$2 to \$1 each. We have until February 16, 2008 before the drawing. Last year we spent \$100 on 50 tickets. If an individual would like to purchase them, please see me.
- **Sand Point Yacht Club** wants to know if we are interested in going in with them and sponsoring a meeting next year. We could have it here and that way a positive picture of our harbor would be given. We could have Pier III cater it. Tell Sand Point we are interested and find out what month they were thinking of. Let's just explore it and see if we can help host this event.

OFFICER'S REPORT:

Commodore: Pat Meraw – I may be drafted for the 100th anniversary of the Gold Cup next year. They really want to do it up right and with me as the vice chair of the finance committee. Several people have approached me. As past commodore you are expected to be ABYA delegate, and if I go with the gold cup, we might need someone as delegate. This is if I accept and I'm just putting it out there. I just can't do both. Sharon Cisco reported that a delegate's position can be shared by two past commodores.

Rod Erwin reported that the Coast Guard wants to make his boat a facility so that he can go out and patrol. He is not happy with that, so he is busy. Gerry Lesmeister said he could help out with some of the duties, but not all.

Vice Commodore: Dale Hardy –Nothing to report.

Rear Commodore: Curt Stafford – Absent

Fleet Captain: Wayne Johnson –Nothing to report.

COMMITTEES:

Newsletter: Sharon Cisco reported that several people's emails were being returned. She contacted them and was able to get some corrected addresses. I didn't bring any expenses tonight. People that are receiving the newsletter by mail will need to be able to go to the website as of Jan 1st. We are posting the newsletter in the Club House. I have yet to receive a monthly article from Jackie.

Clothing: Sandy Hardy (absent). \$195 was made on clothing so far.

OLD BUSINESS:

- Steak Dinner** (See Treasurer's Report above.)
- Web Page** Dan Zowanda (absent) Wayne Johnson reported that it is going well. **Sharon** said she needs to get the pictures to Dan. Wayne said he would take her CD and post them to the website for her.

NEW BUSINESS:

- **Hay Ride** hosted by the Shriner's on Saturday, October 13th.
- **Wayne Johnson** I belong to a Vet's Club that is a non-profit. We were audited by the IRS and they are trying to fine us \$5,000 for not having two people on the checking account. They said this is the law. **Rod** said that we should have two people on the account. I will get the paperwork from the bank. **Wayne** said that in their car club two people on the board of four have to sign the checks. The IRS is hitting a lot of non-profits and we can't afford to pay \$5,000 fine. **Pat** said he has no problem being that person but he will be leaving shortly and after you are past commodore for a year, it can be passed on.
- **Wayne Johnson** I would like to bring up about counterfeit clothing being worn representing our Club. If someone who can word this well could write something for the newsletter. Our clothing is represented by our logo and nothing else on that flag. If you are going to wear clothing to our functions, it should be the proper clothing and not counterfeit. **Sharon** There isn't anyone that is out there that is doing counterfeit clothing? **Wayne** He wants to because when I spoke with him a little over a month ago about a couple of things, one of those was that he wants to start putting his clothing in that case downstairs. It is our case but he wants to put his clothing with the HC and the N on it and I would like a letter that states the official clothing for the yacht club is HC and that is it. **Pat** Is the logo registered? **Sharon** When the yacht club was registered as a club I understand the logo was as well. We told Jackie that if the North owners want to use our logo and it must be used properly....All I know is that when Penny saw that N out there she said it was illegal because we are registered. She would be the one that would know so I would suggest she be called. **Wayne** My point is that South sells there own clothing but the logo is the same and they didn't deface it. North is defacing our logo and wants to put their own stuff in our case. They are giving out burgees with the N on it and have given one to everyone in the marina I think. **Wayne** Boaters here do not know these are counterfeit. That is why I would like something in the newsletter stating that if you want to buy official merchandise you can only but it from Sandy.

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously, thus adjourning the meeting.

NEXT MEETING: Our next meeting will be Tuesday, October 9, 2007, @ 7:30 PM at the **South Clubhouse**.

Respectfully submitted by,

Lisa Colombo
Temporary Secretary
Harbor Club North & South Yacht Club

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