

OAKVILLE POWER AND SAIL SQUADRON MINUTES OF SQUADRON BRIDGE
 MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY, 9th January, 2008 at 1930 AT THE Iriquois High School,
 1123, Glenashton Drive, Oakville (Corner of 8th Line).

<u>Present:</u>	Cdr	Stewart Robinson, SN	Commander
		Ziggy Gaweda, AP	Executive Officer
		Nelle Gaweda, <u>AP</u>	Training Officer
	P/D/C	Beryl Durrant	Secretary
		Richard Bodt	Treasurer
	P/Cdr	Fraser Farmer, <u>AP</u>	Membership Officer
	P/Cdr	Matt Kennedy, JN	Environment/Port Captain
		Hugh Ramsay, SN	Editor
	P/Cdr	Don Singular, P	Flag Officer
	P/Cdr	John Hinksman, SN	Immed. P/Cdr
		Tim Noble	Officer at Large
		Ian Casey	Officer at Large
<u>Apologies:</u>	P/Cdr	Peter Houzon, <u>AP</u>	Regalia Officer

Past Commanders Present: P/D/C Beryl Durrant, P/Cdr Fraser Farmer, AP, P/Cdr Matt Kennedy, JN, P/Cdr Don Singular, P, P/Cdr John Hinksman, SN

Call to Order: The Commander called the Meeting to order at 1932, and the Secretary confirmed that a Quorum was present.

The Commander reported that Officer-at-Large Mike Hewitt had resigned, and that he would write to him to thank him for his work for the Squadron, and wish him well. Tim Noble has been appointed as an Officer-at-Large and was welcomed to the Bridge.

Minutes of the last meeting held on the 14th November, 2007

MOTION: To accept the Minutes as circulated: P/Cdr Matt Kennedy, JN reported that he had not received a copy, and the Secretary promised to deal with this.

Proposed by: Ziggy Gaweda, AP Seconded by: Ian Casey CARRIED

Matters Arising:

- a) Guidelines – The Commander reported that a new Protocol was available and he would send copies to the Bridge.
- b) PetroCan has now paid their bill. Matter closed.
- c) New Signs at Harbour ramps – P/Cdr Matt Kennedy, JN asked Richard Bodt if he would meet with the responsible staff to check the correct position for the new signs.
- d) The Christmas dinner meeting at OPBC had been a success; a relaxed and pleasant evening enjoyed by everyone who was able to attend. Thanks to Richard and the Squadron.

Reports of Officers:

Available on the Squadron Web Site. A copy is available with the Secretary.

MOTION: To accept the Reports of Officers:

Proposed by: Ian Casey Seconded by: P/Cdr John Hinksman, SN CARRIED

Additional comments:

Commander Merit Marks now being submitted for 2007. Coastguard have dropped their Incentives Programme for Safety Inspections. CPS inspections still in place.

Training Congratulations to our Training Officer Nelle Gaweda, AP

Price increase planned for Course Materials – Commander will take this up with District and HQ.

Boat Show pamphlet updated. District Training meeting attended – held on Sunday.

New Power Point System – HQ The Commander asked Ian Casey to give an overview of the system to the Bridge at the next meeting. Time – approximately one hour.

Treasurer's Report

Investments – ongoing.

Reports to the 31st December, 2007 being prepared.

Costing of Regalia and other items may be covered in the new Guidelines in the new Operations

Manual being prepared.

Statement: The three signatures authorized for the Squadron account are:

Commander Stewart Robinson, SN, Executive Officer Ziggy Gaweda, AP, and Treasurer Richard Bodt. Any two of the above three signatures are required to validate Squadron cheques.

MOTION: To Accept the Treasurer's Report:

Proposed by: Ziggy Gaweda, AP Seconded by: P/Cdr Matt Kennedy, JN CARRIED

Correspondence

P/Cdr John Hinksman, SN had received information on a \$5,000 grant available to assist with educational programmes for students on safe boating.

Volunteers needed for the Boat Show.

<u>Squadron Calendar</u>	23 rd January, 2008	District meeting.	Venue and Time TBA.
	25 th April	SQUADRON AGM –OYS	
	8 th May	District AGM, Brampton	
	30 th May	Squadron Graduation, OYS	

Please book these dates – full details nearer to the dates.

New Business:

P/Cdr Matt Kennedy, JN questioned the change of location for Squadron Bridge meetings, and proposed the following:

MOTION: That the Bridge cease to meet at Iriquois Ridge and return to TOWARF.

Seconded by: Hugh Ramsey, SN

Vote: For 4 votes Against 3 votes Abstentions 4 votes CARRIED

P/D/C Beryl Durrant asked if Webmaster P/Cdr Fraser Farmer, AP could be asked to run a "Help Wanted" advertisement on the Squadron Web (or by E-Mail – his decision) to try to find a PRO, Social Officer and anyone else who would like to volunteer with the Squadron. We are missing great opportunities for PR with the start-up of a new paper and Oakville Magazine. P/Cdr Fraser Farmer, AP agreed to deal with this.

Date of the next Meeting: Wednesday, 13th February, 2008

MOTION: To terminate the Meeting by Hugh Ramsay, SN at 2110.

Note from the Commander

Having reviewed the Minutes of the 9th January, 2008 meeting I believe P/Cdr Matt Kennedy, JN and Ian Casey had a Conflict of Interest, and although eligible to take part in the discussion, they were not eligible to vote. This cancels one vote for the Motion and one from the Abstentions, leaving - 3 for, 3 against and 3 abstentions, a tied vote. As Commander I therefore have the deciding vote which I am casting against the Motion. Motion defeated.

The February meeting of the Oakville Squadron Bridge will be held at the Iriquois High School.

The Operational Manual states it is the responsibility of the Executive Officer, acting for the Commander to organize facilities required by the Squadron. The above Motion – Out of Order.

Minutes prepared and signed by:

P/D/C Beryl Durrant Squadron Secretary