



## Palatka Yacht Club Monthly Meeting

Date: 23<sup>rd</sup> April 2019

Time: 16:00

Location: 4083 Reid Street – Hosts Ed & Traci Reed

### 1. Call to order: Ernie Driscoll

#### 1a. In Attendance:

*Board Members:* D.C.Meyers, Ernie Driscoll, Betty Poteet, Julie Hart, Traci Reed

*Absent:* Mike Burton, Bill Baker

*Other in attendance:* David & Linda Girardin

#### 1b. E Board Minutes:

Approval of previous month's meeting minutes – electronic approval given by all. Minutes will be uploaded onto the PYC website.

### 2. Financial Report:

We have just over \$9,000 in the bank account. We had a \$500 liability deductible from the law suit but this matter is now closed. The insurance invoice is due and passed on previous years will be approximately \$1400 – Traci is unsure if the lawsuit will have affected our premium until the bill is received.

DC raised the question of whether there was enough money in the account to make a 'goodwill' payment to members with outstanding loans. The board agreed that this would be a good idea but felt that waiting to the end of the year would be prudent.

Motion: Ernie Driscoll      Seconded: Betty Poteet

### 3. Old Business:

(a) Blessing of The Fleet – despite several challenges (not least the weather) this was an absolute success. The board wishes to thank Father John (St.Pauls Episcopal) & Father Ron (St.Monica's Catholic) for officiating over the ceremony, John Hain for



### 3. Old Business cont.:

providing and setting up the sound system, the Rat Island members for providing channel markers and Ernie Driscoll for dealing with the city bureaucracy and making it happen.

There were about 14 boats present including some from the Rat Island Yacht club. Rather disappointingly there has been no write up in the Palatka News despite Rhonda and Father John sending in an article.

- (b) T-Shirts – The first order has been printed and shirts given out. More members have enquired about ordering so a second list is under way.
- (c) Barge Status – DC has been working on cleaning the barge to remove mildew due to the wet weather. There are 2 holes in the ceiling that need patching and we are looking for someone to do that. Herb & Connie Williams are no longer interested in purchasing the barge so David Girardin is trying to contact a realtor in St. Augustine. Steve Huntley supplied a magazine of watercraft for sale to Ernie and it may be worth putting an advert in there.

### 3. Good and Welfare (to include membership/rendezvous/acknowledgments):

- (a) Many thanks to Tom Keith & Pat Wilson for hosting the April Meeting which was bought forward to be after the Blessing. As well as PYC members we were pleased that some of the Rat Island members joined us.
- (b) Membership applications for Freddy & Susan Garrett and Patti Workens & Shaun Harrell were approved by the board.
- (c) We have locations for May - September as follows:
  - May 4<sup>th</sup> (Post Mug Race) – Driscoll's Gazebo
  - May 18<sup>th</sup> – Secret Cove (Mike & Cyndy)
  - June 15<sup>th</sup> – Bruce & Rhonda
  - July 20<sup>th</sup> - Ernie & Susanne
  - Aug - It was decided to forgo a general meeting in August as many members travel out of town during that time due to the weather. A board meeting will be arranged.
  - Sept 21<sup>st</sup> – Nigel & Julie Hart are hosting but location will be St.Paul's Church at Federal Point.
  - October 19<sup>th</sup> – Open.



#### 4. New Business:

(a) Mug Race May 4<sup>th</sup> – this will once again start from the Crystal Cove Marina at 8am and as in previous years PYC will cover the river up to Toco Point. Safety boats can help right any race members that need it (as long as the participant does not start their engine) without them being disqualified. David Girardin will have a list of safety boat cell phone numbers as the VHF radio is less reliable over distance. VHF communications will be on channel 78. Ernie has the O’Connor trophy and David is contacting the Chamber of Commerce for their trophy. There will be a get together for the safety boat crews after all the race boats leave our sector at Ernie & Susanne’s gazebo.

(b) Julie raised the possibility of transport being provided to enable Gene & Jeannine O’Connor to attend some meetings. David will speak to them and look into this.

#### 5. Adjournment: 17:02

Motion: Traci Reed

Seconded: D.C. Meyers