

Satuit Boat Club  
Minutes of Executive Committee Meeting  
March 9, 2020

*Present:* Bob Ulwick, James Baldassari, Sarah Smith, Dave Sullo, Kevin O’Leary, Perry Lewis, Sandy Hayes, Gregg McBride, Tad Beagley, Lisa Scanlon, Jay Swartz

Meeting called to order at 20:05

Docks: Perry

- Crane scheduled for tomorrow
- Docks going in tomorrow, 4/22, at 8am
- If they can’t be finished tomorrow we may finish the rest on Thursday, 4/23
- Preliminary work is done
  - Boats moved
  - Parts ordered
- 7 people are lined up to assist, keeping the total under 10
- Bob: it’s wise to get the docks in now before any potential future restrictions come into effect
- Dave: Are we trying to get all the docks connected or just in the water?
  - Perry: the goal is to get everything done, but if it is not possible we may tie the docks together and come back to it later
- James: What will the total cost be for the crane and anything else that is different from a normal year?
  - Perry: Total cost should be around \$800 including the crane and all parts
- Kevin: There is a gale warning in effect. Are there any concerns about securing the docks?
  - Perry: At least 4 chains holding the first piece in place, so we should be fine

Opening the club: Bob

- Where do we go from here? When do we open the docks for membership?
  - Using Redbrook Newsletter as reference
- Tad: Legally where do we fall in terms of being able to be open?
- Bob: We typically open around Memorial Day weekend. We could postpone any decision until closer to this date.
- Sarah: The town said they are planning on opening on the 15th
- We will not have an opening day brunch or any other social activities at the start of the season
- Dave: When should people be allowed to use the dinghy dock, the clubhouse, lockers, etc.?
  - Bob: If docks are in people may start using them immediately
    - At least one member wants to make use of the docks as soon as possible
  - Sandy: We could open the dinghy dock without opening the clubhouse

- Our docks are typically not open until around the middle of May; Town docks are not opening until May 15.
- EBoard will put out a notice to members explaining the current status of the docks, clubhouse, and other facilities, along with our expected plans for the future opening
- Decisions made tonight:
  - Docks are in, but access to the docks is not allowed at this time
  - We will make another decision the first week of May

#### Launch: Kevin

- Mechanical work on the launch has been completed
- Need to prep/paint the new rudder and paint the bottom
  - Rudder zincs need to be installed
  - Dave: We should send out a request for a volunteer to paint the bottom
- Coast Guard out-of-water inspection is this Friday
- Boat Works wants to do an in-the-water check, but no problems anticipated
- Launch will be ready to go in shortly after the docks
- Ed has drivers lined up for the season; younger drivers are concerned about whether there will be work
- Ed not personally concerned about social distancing on the dock at this time
- Considering spraying handholds with bleach solution regularly, requiring launch drivers to wear masks, and other safety measures
- Bob: Redbrook is recommending that people use their own dinghies instead of the launch whenever possible
- Gregg: Should we consider requiring transients to use personal dinghies?

#### Junior Sailing Boats: Dave

- Not much to discuss until we decide what we're going to do with Junior Sailing
- Perry: Are we leaving the boats out of the water?
  - Dave: We should put the Mercuries in while we have the crane
  - We could utilize the Mercuries even if we decided to cancel Junior Sailing programs
  - Once docks are in the water we can launch the Mercuries with the crane, time providing

#### Junior Sailing: Sarah and Lisa

- No decision made about canceling or postponing the program
- Waiting to see what other organizations are doing and what the official guidance is from the Governor
- Can wait until middle of June to make a decision; can start the program later in the summer if necessary

#### Membership: James

- No membership updates since last meeting

- Still have capacity for 3 members before we hit the cap
- Received one membership inquiry, but no application received

Treasurer: Gregg

- Most dues have been collected
- 8 members have not paid dues as of this week
  - Board members will reach out to these members directly
- Very little money spent in the last three months
- We will need to revise our revenue expectations from transients

Tadd: House

- House day originally scheduled for 5/16. What should we do about that?
- We could consider putting a skeleton crew together, fewer than 10 people, just to do the necessities
- We can continue planning on 5/16 for now
- Plumber scheduled to come down this week to address the existing issue with the gas pipes in the grill area
- Bob: Capital committee still working and gathering information
  - Received a lot of feedback on desired clubhouse improvements
    - Furniture, interior decoration
  - Roof fixes may be more important to work on first
  - Assuming we need \$25k for pilings, what is left for clubhouse improvements?
    - Unclear whether we will use our budgeted \$10k for chase boat replacement and other projects we had planned for this year
- Bob: Do we need to change the password on the keypads or replace the keypads?
  - More sophisticated keypads exist which would allow us to give each member an individual code
  - We should add a keypad on the back closet; we already have the unit
  - At a minimum we should change the code

Race: Sandy

- Even if we can't do group gatherings we could still potentially run races without the meetings / parties

Entertainment: Jay

- Food purchased for (limited) dock day

Summary:

- Docks are going in tomorrow, April 22
- Access to the docks and clubhouse will be restricted until further notice
- Next EC meeting Monday, May 4 at 8:00pm