

Weston Bay Yacht Club Ltd

General Committee Meeting

Held on 7th February 2019 at 7:30pm

1. Committee Members in Attendance

Mick Aspell (MA)(Treasurer), Steve Caiger (SC) (Entertainment Officer), Richard Topham (RT) (Mooring Master), Mo Parker (MP)(Bar Officer), Russel Millier (RM) (Bosun), Rob Strawbridge(RS) (Sailing Secretary), Jeff Parker (JP) (Commodore), Fiona Austin (FA) (Membership secretary), Bob Godbold (BG) (President), Jeff Adams(JA)(Vice Commodore).

Member in Attendance

Geoff Lane, Don Sutherland, John Bailey.

2. Apologies

Richard Topham (RT)

3. Receive and accept minutes of last meeting

The minutes from 3rd January 2019 were accepted and passed unanimously.
Proposed MP, Seconded BG.

4. Matters arising from last meeting

4.7.1 Moved to 5.

4.7.2 Work boat moved to March 2019.

March RT

4.7.3 Fuel tank for Work Boat, JP to use tank donated by AC NFA

4.7.4 Wharf -JP has chased but still not answer - chase and update again in March.

March JP

4.7.4A JP - Padlock changed - there is a key in a store inside electric cupboard and MA has spares.

NFA

4.7.5 Bar report - MP - all in good order, no issues SC has reviewed bar work instructions and they work - need typing up.

March SC

4.7.6 Terms of reference JP all directors TOR are in order - SC entertainments ones are ok.

TOR for March RT/MA

4.7.7 JA - Welcome pack review - moved to March.

March JA

4.7.8 Confirmation re moorings subcommittee moved to March.

March RT

4.7.9 Moved 7.1.5

4.7.10 Committee Projects

Gas bottles and landing - sack trucks purchased but it appears unknown

charge may be levied by supplier - to be reviewed March.

March MA/JP

BG - pontoons - met two weeks ago - cross chains to each end, hard bolted, secured as solid lump, anchor to face thereby avoiding issues with passing traffic

- two chains secured in all directions but will need four anchors - these are 2 off at £60

- plus, 100m chain at circa £500 so total required £650.

Consensus was this appears to be best solution so allocation of funds to cover agreed unanimously. Proposed MA, 2nd FA

BG to report at April meeting as expected circa 16th March.

April BG

4.7.11 Kayakers.

NFA

4.7.12 Xmas party.

NFA

4.7.13 Bosons stores - RM - Shelves on site - work needs planning & organising - decant contents to training room.

March RM

4.7.14 IT Assistance - generating .pdf for membership invoicing

- JA to investigate and report back. March JA
- 4.7.15 Web site - JA - Problems with access, KAPTCHA been a pain, whole site to be reviewed for revision where necessary. SC felt some images looked dated and needed updating. AC to talk to Mrs AC re possible Facebook plugins / Wordpress and report direct to JA. March JA/AC
- 4.7.16 already covered
- 4.7.17 Xmas Cheer. NFA
- 4.7.18 RT not present for work boat presentation moved with 4.7.2
- 4.7.19 Social membership - MA requested move to March. March MA
- 4.7.20 John Baileys suggestion regarding apps etc with 'Meet Up' SC to trial for 1st march acoustic night and report back liaising direct to JB. March SC

5. New Members

FA - process of new members works well with MA emailing and forms then following. Short list of non-paying members - agreed only berth holders worth pursuing with others simply removed from club system. RM pointed out some emailed forms couldn't be opened.

The following are believed to have outstanding debts to the club at this time:

Linda grey, Ian Jones, Anthony Lindley, Richard Newman, Julian Noble, Robert Price, Jeff Rich, Gary Weldon, Nathan Williams

FA needs to be able to buy stamps to post forms, MA agreed this should be reimbursed. Update March. March FA

We have 7 applications for social membership via Geoff Lanes Rock and Retirement project. JP proposed they are accepted MA 2nd, unanimously agreed.

JA mentioned Gordon Dewar is after a mooring but hasn't visited club. It was agreed that new members must visit club to be able to apply to avoid having absentee berth holders. Proposed JA 2nd FA unanimously agreed.

6. Treasurers report (attached)

6.1 Accounts in good order and accepted

Negotiation with EDF has yielded a saving of £102 so decision taken on the spot

By MA

Wharf costs £96.36 p.a.

Ed William's is currently contact number, to be changed to divert to MA

The moorings income situation appears to be a bit of an unknown,

Difficult to clarify without RT's help and advice. JP to discuss directly with RT with a view to having a good solution for March.

6.2 Club rental requires further work - MA to report back. March MA

6.3 A members contact list (GC) is now available

7. Agenda items

7.1 PRS Licence

BG questioned if one was necessary. SC to investigate and report back. March SC

7.2 Rock and Retirement project GL

A grant is being applied for to acquire a PA system which it will need. Request is that this is installed f.o.c. in the club and becomes available for club use under SC supervision.

Next funding round is in June. It will require to have speakers, monitor / amplifier and a loop system capability. Unanimously supported Proposed BG, 2nd JA.

7.3 Rosie may charity event has been circulated - NFA as individual members may engage.

7.4 RS - Perfectly formed racing agenda was perfectly formed.

Race committee meetings will be placed in bar by RS with all members emailed.

March RS

JA will put onto web site.

March JA

The red Churchill buoy has gone, and the club needs 3 race marks which can be handled with suitable anchor and chain. Anchors are £61.52 so total will be £737.47 for buoys and anchors with RS finding chain. A buoy has been seen on the rocks and DS will investigate and report to RS. Costs proposed and agreed unanimously - Proposed BG and 2nd FA

March RS

March DS

7.5 XO's - Jet Skis are not navigable vessels and fall outside of club's remit JP to produce advice for members.

April JP

8. A.O.B.

8.1 With regard to 6.1 moorings finance MA apologised for not getting a flow chart to RT and will ensure a draft is available for approval.

March MA

8.2 MA - Can we use help from fishermen to lay race marks - for march.

March MA

8.3 SC- do we want a piano – it was agreed without a vote that no we didn't want a piano with gratitude for the offer.

8.4 JA - Sooty has asked to launder sails in club - agreed but not on club nights

8.5 DS – has been approached by Sue from boat yard re the negative press headline in the Weston Mercury regarding the club's recent tragic accidental fatality of a member. Uphill boat yard was incorrectly blamed in the article, but the source of the article is not known. Awareness but NFA whilst monitored.

8.6 JP requested the key press be moved from bosuns store to cleaning cupboard – agreed Proposed RM, 2nd MP unanimous.

March RM

9. Meeting close

Date of Next Meeting - 14th March 2019 at 7.30pm (23.42 9.38m).