

Boating Advisory Board
6:00 p.m. – Thursday, April 28, 2016
Spicer House
Noank, CT 06340
Meeting Minutes

I. Call to Order - 6:00 PM

II. Roll Call

Bill Grady, Ed Monahan, Tom Tobin, Beth Robinson, Kit Talbot, Dean Antipas, Jerry Lokken

a. Absent George O'Brien

III. Approval of Minutes of November 19, 2015 Meeting

Tobin moved to approve, Robinson seconded, motion passed.

IV. Reports

a. NRC and MSMHS sharing of Spicer Park facility

A meeting was held in March attended by MSMHS and NRC members to discuss sharing the facility. The MSMHS plans to offer a limited program with 2 eights on the water at a time and to purchase storage racks for boats and oars. Coaches discussed schedules, dock use and sharing the waterway. MSMHS has not yet made further contact. Lokken will get back to MSMHS to determine the status of the program.

NRC scaled back their recruitment effort and have fewer rowers this spring

b. Monahan reported that the 25th Coasts Weeks Regatta is scheduled for Sunday, 9/18.

Morning races will be limited to singles and doubles. In the afternoon, there will be a *in anticipation* high school regatta open to high school crews. *of the MSMHS team's annual.*

V. Old Business

a. Spicer Park visioning

Lokken stated that the vision developed by the BAB in July 2015 involves expanding boating opportunities at Spicer Park. If P&R moves out of the Spicer Park the Town will need to determine future use for Spicer House. Antipas reported that the Council does not yet have plans for Spicer House or moving P&R offices to another location. Grady suggested that the BAB continue to develop the vision at the July 28 meeting to be held at Grady's home.

b. Blue trails

Robinson reported that a member of a local Boy Scout troop has initiated a project to develop a blue trail in Southeastern Connecticut that would be designated a National Blue Water Trail. Grady suggested inviting the Scout to attend the BAB May meeting.

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VI. New Business

a. Recruitment/Appointment of new members

The BAB has received an application from a potential new member with an interest in kayaking and stand-up paddle board. Tobin moved that the BAB reject the application based on the applicant's stated intention to establish a business contracting with the Town to rent equipment. Robinson seconded the motion. Motion passed.

b. Small Boat Day, May 28, 2016

Grady reported that the vendors have committed to Small Boat Day. Lokken noted that the refreshment stand will not be open, but that he will contact local food vendors and offer them the opportunity to participate. Talbot will contact NRC about sending student volunteers to assist with erg rowing, kayaking and paddle boarding. Robinson plans to provide 3 small sail boats for sailing trials.

VII. Next Meeting Date, May 26, 2016

VIII. Adjournment

Monahan moved to adjourn, Tobin seconded, motion passed.

Minutes have been approved and accepted.

Signature



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