



**UNITED STATES POWER SQUADRONS®
SAIL AND POWER BOATING
DISTRICT 9**

MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING, FALL 2017

14 OCTOBER

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 1203.

D/Lt/C Michael Babiarz, AP

Invocation

D/Lt/C Frederick Hoitash, SN

Presentation of Colors

Color Guard

National Anthems (Canadian and United States)

Pledge of Allegiance

D/F/Lt Alice Whittemore, AP

Recess for lunch

Welcoming remarks and Order of Business

There being no objection, the order of the meeting may be altered to expedite the meeting.

D/Lt/C Michael Babiarz, AP

Recognition of Departed Members

D/Lt/C Michael Babiarz, AP

Birmingham	David P. Pike, AP
Dearborn	P/C Newell M. "Bob" Figi,
Detroit	John H. "Jack" Glasser, AP
Detroit	Willy J. Huling, Jr.
Detroit	Charles A. Reichling, N
Grosse Pointe	P/C Fred Brauning, AP
Saginaw Bay	P/C George "Bill" Richart, SN
South Bend	Nancy J. Henthorn, SN
P/D/C	William J. Morrison, SN, Now with D8 but formerly with D9

Prayer

D/Lt Frederick Hoitash, SN

Introduction of guests

P/C/C Canadian Power Squadron

**P/D/C James R. Leonard, SN
Joseph Gatfield, JN**

Introduction of National Officers and P/D/C

1987 P/R/C & P/N/FI/Lt Dick Jarmon, SN

1990 P/D/C James R. Leonard, SN
2004 P/D/C Michael J. Rachuk, SN
2005 P/D/C James Knaggs, SN
2006 P/D/C & Stf/C Denise C. Samu, AP
2009 P/D/C Bryan Bartlett, SN
2011 P/D/C & P/R/C Mary Ann Jensen, SN
2012 P/D/C & Stf/C Linda Lalonde, P
2013 P/D/C William Stano, JN
2015 P/D/C Dawn Flynn, JN
Present as well, P/Stf/C Sally Lemus & Stf/C Ralph Zeigler, himself, JN

Review of the Voting and Floor Privileges

D/Lt Laddie Hudson, Jr., SN

Determination of a Quorum

D/Lt/C Michael Babiarz, AP

Council: The Secretary reported that a quorum was present.

Conference: The Secretary reported that a quorum was present.

Approval of Minutes – 2017 Spring Council

D/Lt/C Michael Babiarz, AP

A copy of the minutes of the 2017 Spring Council was previously distributed.

Motion: It was moved and seconded that the minutes of the 2017 Spring Council be approved. The motion carried. The minutes are filed with the 2017 Spring Council report.

Educational Committee Report

D/Lt/C Thomas J. Smith, N

We've met with Officers about Hands On Training and/or Boating Skills Training. This includes Boat Operator's Certification, and the Jump Start Program. These programs require that USPS have a vessel ready in the water. In the past USPS, TowBoat, and SeaTow worked together. 6-7 years ago, USPS had a boat on a trailer and moved it to various locations nearby. Recently, the educational department proposed to the District Bridge and subsequently the Council to purchase a vessel, not to exceed \$5000. This to be stored and maintained by Squadron members. Finances and storage availability were presented then, reviewed and validated. This was proposed to Spring Council who sent it to Planning Committee for further review.

Planning Committee Report

P/C Joe Brooks, AP

The Committee consists of P/D/C Jack Knaggs, P/D/C Denise Samu, Cdr. Keith Hawkins and myself. We all see the importance of having a vessel to use. We have these questions; How to transport the boat? Will there be enough students to warrant owning it? Do we need partners in ownership/usage? Our decision is to refer to Spring Council for the vote.

Conference Coordinator Report

P/D/C Michael Rachuk, SN

Thank you to Anchor Bay for help at registration desk. Thanks to Fred Hoitash, my right hand man. Thanks to my wife. Thanks to Dave Dudek for taking reservations. Thanks to James & Caroline Knaggs as well. Bill Stano on Spring Conference 2018: 6-8 April, Marriot at Centerpoint, Pontiac; Grosse Point will host and theme is SitComs.

Fred Hoitash on Fall Conference 2018: 6-7 October, Doubletree in Bay City, Dearborn will host

Treasurer's Report

D/Lt/C Alanna Harvey, P

Defer to Conference.

Secretary's Report

D/Lt/C Jan Hartesvelt, P

Defer to Conference.

Educational Officer's Report

D/Lt/C Thomas J. Smith, N

Defer to Conference.

Other Business

D/Lt/C Michael Babiarz, AP

Request a Motion to recommend dissolution of Muskegon & Sable Point squadrons was made; Seconded, no discussion was had, vote to send decision of dissolution to conference, motion carried.

Adjournment