

SB Boat Parade Meeting Minutes

Friday, May 22, 2015

The meeting was brought to order at 4 pm. In attendance were Bobbe and Kent Stephan, Ginny and Hugh Meade, Joe Conway, Linda Lewis, Peter Bogetti, Sandi Roberts, Carol Stevenson, and Kathy Jankowski.

Following the agenda, introductions were made.

1. **Date & Time**—The date for the boat parade is Sunday, July 5th. The boats will assemble in Jefferson Creek at 4:30 and the parade will begin at 5 pm.
2. **Budget**—Our budget for the parade is \$360.
3. **Permit**—Joe Conway brought to our attention that we need a permit from DNREC for a marine parade. According to Delaware code, we need to submit the application within 30 days of the event. Kathy submitted the application on May 23.
4. **Participants**—The boat parade will be restricted to motor boats, kayaks, and canoes. All motor boats will precede kayaks and canoes. All must be registered to participate in the parade. Paddle boards and personal water craft are prohibited for safety reasons. Participation is restricted to South Bethany home owners, their guests, and renters.
5. **Safety**—For safety reasons, Chief Crowson and Joe Conway will provide a "safety boat." This will be manned with police personnel. Troy will notify the ambulance service that we are having the parade.
6. **Route**—The parade route map is below. The route is as follows:
 - a. Meet in Jefferson Creek
 - b. Proceed down Jefferson Creek Canal staying to the left. Note arrows.
 - c. Turn around at end of Jefferson Creek Canal where it meets Russell Canal. Proceed with caution as wider boats, i.e. pontoon boats, will most likely have to make a "K" turn.
 - d. Go back down Jefferson Creek Canal and turn left into Anchorage Canal. Turn around in Anchorage Canal where South Anchorage Drive turns into Anchorage Drive. (See chart.)
 - e. Proceed back down Anchorage Canal.
 - f. Turn left into Bayshore Canal.
 - g. Make a right into York Canal, staying to the left.
 - h. Turn around at the end of York Canal and proceed back down York Canal to Bayshore Canal.
 - i. Make a left into Jefferson Creek back to the starting location.

j. Please proceed with caution before returning home in your boat as the parade might not be finished when you return to Jefferson Creek.



7. **Theme**—Boats will define their own theme.
8. **Registration/Application**—Kent Stephan volunteered to work on the application for registration. He will work with Pam to have it put on the Town website. Some things that were mentioned that need to be included on the application are:
 - a. Applicants must adhere to Delaware waterway rules.
 - b. Address while staying in South Bethany (so we know they are residents, guests, or renters).
 - c. What type of boat are you entering (no paddle boards or personal water craft). This will also enable us to coordinate between pontoon boats and those that can maneuver more easily.
 - d. Make sure you keep to the left on the boat route!
 - e. Do you plan to participate in the award ceremony at 7:30? How many will be participating (for food planning).
 - f. Awards will be given for: 1) Most creative 2) Most patriotic 3) Funniest and 4) Best in Show. Only one award per boat.
 - g. Deadline for registration?????
9. **Identification**—Linda Lewis volunteered to get the numbers made for identification and lineup of the registered boaters. The numbers will have holes in all sides of the placard for attachment to the boat.
10. **Judging**—Steve Farrow and Martha Lowe have agreed to judge again this year. Joe Conway will ask Dave Wilson if he will judge this year and, since he is in a prime location, if he will have the judging stand at his home. Kathy Jankowski will provide beverages for the judges.
11. **Awards**—Ginny Meade will find a "life preserver" to use as our "Best in Show" winner award. We will sign it with the person's name and date, with the idea of passing this from year to year. The winner will be able to display the life preserver for the year. Other awards (most creative, most patriotic, and funniest, will be given a certificate. Kathy Jankowski volunteered to make these.
12. **Award Ceremony**—The award ceremony will be held at the Town Hall at 7:30 pm. Bobbe Stephan volunteered to purchase the hot dogs, single bags of chips, and condiments. Carol Stevenson volunteered to provide sodas and water. Hugh Meade volunteered to grill the hotdogs. Kathy Jankowski will make sure there is propane in the grill at Town Hall and that it is working.
13. **Advertising**—Sandi Roberts volunteered to ask SBPOA to announce activity. In her efficiency, as usual, Sandi has already made the request and had it approved! Thank you, Sandi! Kathy Jankowski will prepare the announcement

for sending out via email and make the announcement at the Bull Roast, as well as contact Laura Walter at Coastal Point, and have a Town of South Bethany News Update. Kathy Jankowski will also have a flyer made to be posted about Town.

14. **Pictures**—Some of the best pictures from last year were taken by Dave Wilson. Joe Conway volunteered to ask Dave if he will take pictures again this year.
15. **Other items for discussion**—Bobbe Stephan volunteered to get a bull horn for the announcer to call boats to order. Joe Conway and Troy Crowson will use the bull horn owned by the police department for the safety boat.