

Osterville Men's Club Membership Luncheon Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, March 4, 2020 – 11:30 am – 2:00 pm
Double Tree Hotel – Regatta Room - Hyannis, Massachusetts

CALL TO ORDER

The Membership Luncheon Meeting of the Osterville Men's Club was called to order on Wednesday, February 5, 2020, by the Vice President, John Townes, in the absence of President Don MacDonald who was unable to attend the event, at 12:10 pm, in the Regatta Room of the Doubletree Hotel in Hyannis, Massachusetts.

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS AND HOSTS

Vice President Townes asked for any member with a guest at the meeting to introduce his guest to the members. No guests were introduced at this time.

SECRETARY'S MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 5, 2020 MEETING

Paul Goyette, the Secretary, confirmed the earlier distribution of the Minutes of the February 5, 2020 meeting of the OMC membership and asked for a vote of approval. The Meeting Minutes were unanimously approved as prepared and distributed.

TREASURER'S REPORT

The Treasurer, Frank Ward, presented a financial report for the period: February 2020. In his report, he noted that the beginning fund balance for February 1, 2020 was \$42,164. During the period February 1 - 29, 2020, OMC received cash receipts \$3,037 against cash disbursements of \$3,834 which resulted in a fund balance of \$41,366 at the end of the period. He concluded his remarks by stating that the 3rd reminder for annual dues payments will be distributed later this month.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

George French, Chair of the Membership Committee, presented a membership report for the period, February 5 through March 4, 202.

He noted that during the preceding month, two members had deceased: Carl Staab and David Richardson. He added that one new member had joined, Robert Pierpont. As a result of these changes to the OMC membership roster, Mr. French noted that the OMC currently had 199 members. It was moved, seconded and unanimously voted to accept the Membership Report as presented.

INTRODUCTION OF NEW MEMBERS

George French introduced the following new members to provide individual background presentations to the membership:

- Thomas Humick
- Gary Molyneaux
- Robert Pierpont

PROGRAM AND FUTURE SPEAKERS:

Program Chair, John Townes, reminded the Board that the speaker for today's Monthly Membership Program would be Zenas Crocker, Executive Director of the Barnstable Clean Water Coalition.

Mr. Townes presented the revised schedule for speakers at the balance of the upcoming monthly meetings for the OMC during 2020;

- April 1: Rob Steen / Associate Director, Barnstable DPW. *The subject for the April 2020 meeting will be an update on the proposed Barnstable Wastewater Treatment Plan*
- May 6: Gilbert Newton / Naturalist, Educator and Author
- September 2: Bill Higgins / Retired Sports Editor, Cape Cod Times
- October 7: Janet Milkman / Executive Director, Barnstable Land Trust
- November 4: Military representative (Virginia Gaglio will be invited)

The Program Report also indicated that there would be no monthly membership meetings for June, July, August and December in 2020, as was usually the case with the summer and holiday schedule for the organization.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

FELLOWSHIP:

George French acknowledged that several members were recovery from recent illnesses and/or surgeries, and encouraged the membership to extend get-well wishes to the following:

- Gerald Fortier
- Richard Filosa
- Robert Daley

Paul Warren announced that two members of the Club has passed away during the past month and asked for a moment of silence in recognition for these individuals:

- Carl Staab
- David Richardson

SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE:

James Ruane, Chair of the Scholarship Committee, announced that, due to the recent increase in funds for the program, the Scholarship Committee will expand its annual grants to a total of four (4) scholarships for worthy Barnstable High School students each year. He noted that the Committee appreciated the encouragement and support of the OMC Board to expand the program.

It was moved, seconded and unanimously voted to accept the Report of the Scholarship Committee as presented.

GOOD GUY:

Peter Holcombe announced that the Good Guy Award Committee had selected James Ruane as recipient of the OMC Good Guy Award. In presenting the award to Mr. Ruane, Peter Holcombe cited Jim's outstanding work on behalf of the OMC as chairing the Scholarship Committee, being an active volunteer in the Meals on Wheels program, and for his work on the Club's Day of Caring.

BOWLING:

A report of the Bowling Committee was presented acknowledging the winning team members for the month of February.

GOLF COMMITTEE:

Don Lee, Chairman of the Golf Committee, reported that the spring season registration form would be distributed to the OMC membership by the end of March. He noted that the season will start on April 29th with an outing at the Pocasset Golf Club in Pocasset, MA. The season will end on June 3rd at Ocean Edge Golf Club in Brewster, MA. In addition to these two courses, the OMC spring program will feature outings at Wianno Golf Club, The Cape Club, New Seabury (The Dunes Course), and, for the first time, the Plymouth Country Club.

Mr. Lee concluded his report by noting that the Golf Committee had already secured three locations for the fall program, and that he would report on the complete fall schedule later this spring.

It was moved, seconded and unanimously voted to accept the Report of the Golf Committee as presented.

EVENTS:

John Townes announced that the OMC tentatively would hold its summer luncheon, for members and spouses, at the Wianno Club, on June 17th. He said registration for this event will be announced shortly once the June date has been confirmed.

The 2020 Christmas Party will be held in December at the Cummaquid Golf Club, again. The Events Committee is awaiting confirmation of the date for the event and will notify the members on this in the fall of this year.

Mr. Townes invited Deane Turner to present the details surrounding a new summer event for the Club members and spouses. Mr. Turner announced that OMC members and spouses will be able to participate in a special summer luncheon and cruise. The event, held on July 16, 2020, will begin with a reception and luncheon, beginning at 11:30 am at the Flying Bridge Restaurant in Falmouth, MA, followed by a 3-hour sail (2:00 pm – 5:00 pm) aboard the *Liberte'*, a 74' three-masted schooner out of Falmouth harbor. The cruise will tour Nantucket Sound, cruising by Martha's Vineyard and Woods Hole. Registration for lunch will be \$30/per person, and the cruise is \$38 / per person. He encouraged the members to register as soon as possible as space is limited to 49 individuals.

RENNIE DISCUSSION GROUP:

There was no formal report presented by the Rennie Discussion Group Committee in the absence of Chair, Robert Callahan. Vice President Townes reminded the Directors that the next Rennie Discussion Group meeting would be held on March 10th at the Osterville Village Library on the topic, "*Political Leadership in America: Where Has it Gone, and How Can it Be Restored?*"

MIRACLE WORKERS:

Charley Dings, Co-Chair of the Miracle Workers Committee, thanked the volunteers who participated in their most recent soup kitchen activity at the Salvation Army.

MEALS ON WHEELS:

Meals on Wheels Committee Chair, Wesley Harrington, presented a summary report of the activities of the Meals on Wheels program. He noted that the addition of a third driving route on Friday had been successfully implemented and that the overall program was running very smoothly. He observed that on Friday, September 28th, the OMC delivered 78 meals, which was the highest one-day total for the OMC since the start of the program.

He noted that he had an additional 3 OMC members who are interested in joining the program and is awaiting the establishment of a date for a Program Orientation Meeting with Elder Service of Cape Cod and the Islands (ESCCI) for these new program participants.

It was moved, seconded and unanimously voted to accept the Report of the Meals on Wheels Committee as presented. Mr. Harrington concluded his remarks by encouraging the Directors to promote the program whenever possible as new drivers are still needed for the program.

POKER:

The Chair of the Poker Club, Stanley Goldstein, stated that the Poker Club meets on the 3rd Tuesday of each month. He asked any members who are interested in participating in the club to contact him.

INVESTMENT CLUB:

There was no report of the Investment Club. Mr. Townes reminded the members that the Investment Club meet on the 4th Tuesday of each month.

MONTHLY MEMBERSHIP MEETING SPEAKER:

John Townes, Program Chair, introduced Zenas Crocker, Executive Director, Barnstable Clean Water Coalition, to provide the monthly Speaker Series program entitled, "*The Barnstable Clean Water Coalition, and The Three Bays Living Laboratory*".

ADJOURNMENT

The March 4, 2020, Membership Luncheon Meeting was adjourned at 1:40 pm by Vice President, John Townes

Prepared by:

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