

SAN DIEGO HARBOR SAFETY COMMITTEE
Full Committee Meeting Minutes

DATE: September 30, 2020

TIME: 10:00 AM – 11:30 AM

Teleconference and made available to public via livestream

- I. Introductions: Voting Members: Ann Kinner, Michael Poltorak, Ilias Katsanis, Phil Weiss, Steve Frailey, Josh Gaylord
Non-Voting Members: Reuben Macaspac, Jeff Ferguson, Evan Warren, John Santorum, Ron Caputo, Jennifer Spearel
- II. Minute Review: *vote on approving minutes delayed due to not having a quorum.*
- III. Unusual/Near Miss Incidents: Ron Caputo provides details on a man overboard incident onboard a charter vessel. The individual treaded water for over 2 hours and USCG successfully rescued the individual late at night and returned them to the vessel. USCG has been following up with the charter company to get more details. A commercial vessel lost propulsion and ran aground on North Island; the grounding did not result in a pollution incident. USCG fielded many calls involving the “Patriot” jet boat the weekend of September 12th and there appeared to be some near miss situations due to the high number of boats operating in the Bay over that weekend.
- IV. USCG, San Diego Sector: Mr. Caputo introduces Ryan Mowberry, new chief of inspections, and John Santorum, new waterways division management chief. Mr. Santorum advises that a Halloween parade will take place in the Bay later in October and there is a possibility of another Trump boat parade in October.
- V. NOAA/NWS: Jeff Ferguson: An error was found on the online PDF charts that caused the deletion of the edition number and date. The error also impacted the print on demand charts. The bug has since been corrected and the edition number and date should now be properly printed on all charts currently posted on the NOAA web site.
- VI. OSPR Update: Reuben Macaspac: Reports that Phil Weiss was sworn in early in the day to a new 3-year term. Mr. Macaspac will be contacting members who have terms expiring soon.
- VII. Review/Update Annual Plan: HSP plan was emailed to OSPR Administrator and the current plan is posted on the Port of San Diego website.
- VIII. Sub-Committee Reports:
 - a. Working Group “Illegal Charters”: Annette Dahl reports that a revised ordinance will be presented to the Board of Port Commissioners on October 6, 2020. Port staff will provide some history on the original ordinance, what’s been added and how it will affect all charters. If the ordinance revisions are approved then staff will issue a request for proposals to hire an operator to provide oversight of charter operations.
- IX. Public Comment: James Behrens presents a new tool within the Coastal Data Information Program that records coastal flooding events. The Coastal Flood Reporting Tool is a mobile friendly tool that allows the public to report coastal flooding. Users can upload photos and add notes; this tool will help pinpoint areas of flooding risk and allow for future flood forecasts. Glenn Galman, Maritime Emergency Services coordinator for CalOES, is new on the job and introduces himself. His agency helps coordinate resources during emergency management episodes. Mr. Galman advises that CalOES tries to better understand stakeholder concerns in the maritime environment. Ilias Katsanis, on behalf of Graphite Innovation, is attempting to find a vessel to product test their bio-antifouling paint on the hull of a vessel. Mr. Katsanis is requesting any HSC members to contact him if they know of a prospective vessel. Dave Abrams advises that Training Resources Maritime

Institute has acquired Pacific Maritime Magazine online newsletter and Fishermen's News online newsletter. If any committee members have any news items that they wish to get out to either newsletter they can contact Mr. Abrams.

- X. Next Meeting: Wednesday, November 18, 2020 at 10:00am

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