

Tampa Power Squadron  
General Membership Meeting - 7 Jul 2016  
Egypt Temple Shrine Oasis, 4050 Dana Shores Drive, Tampa, FL

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Meeting called to order by Cdr John A. Orr, III, S at 1905. Members of the Executive Committee in attendance were: John Orr, Anna Morris, Scott Morris, Tom Thompson, James Jordan, Linda Thompson and Richard Holcomb. Absent were Alta Mullins, Len Stevens and the ASecy, Millie Nasta. Anna Morris introduced the squadron's two (2) newest members: P/R/C Frank E. Penny, SN and Grace E. Penny, AP, formerly of the Susquenango Squadron. With nine (9) voting members present, a quorum was declared. Cdr Orr reserved the right to change the order of business to expedite the meeting. No objections.

**Secretary - absent** Anna Morris reported that Millie Nasta's absence was last minute due to a fall during a sight taking excursion; no minutes available for reading. Anna also advised that publication of the *Short Blast* has been temporarily suspended until the *Navigation* course and examination have been completed. In the interim, an emailed "broadsheet" of upcoming events, birthdays and other short notices will be posted monthly.

**Treasurer – Lt/C Thomas C. Thompson, P** Tom reported the status of the checking and savings accounts.

**Administrative Officer – vacant** Anna Morris introduced the idea of going to a gun range for the July Social Activity. Tom Thompson led the discussion and the event was scheduled for Tuesday, 19 July at 1900. Anna also noted that the squadron's online roster would be updated to reflect new additions and other changes. Anna also promised Tom that she would identify all of the existing associate members of the Tampa Squadron so that they could be invoiced for the current year.

**Executive Officer – Stf/C Anna Morris, JN** Anna provided an update on the Tampa Boat Show and reported that, again this year, the NMMA show management has requested that the United States Power Squadrons® provide a series of one (1) hour free seminars. Invitations will be sent to all squadron commanders and SEOs along with the D/22 bridge so that Tampa's efforts and contributions to the Tampa Boat Show will not be ignored by District as it was last year.

**Educational Officer – Lt/C Scott Morris, P** Scott reported that the head-tracking system for the MuVIT platform had been ordered. Plans to present *Seamanship* in October following the District Conference were announced. Scott and Tom Thompson discussed the feasibility of teaching a one (1) hour boating safety class at the Police Athletic League (PAL). Scott will investigate recertification options for both Frank and Grace Penney, both of whom completed IQ, served on the IQCom developing the course material and taught at the Anclote Key Squadron under the supervision of P/C Howard O. Mielke, SN.

**Old Business** None

**New Business** None

Meeting adjourned by Cdr Orr at 1953.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Stf/C Anna Morris, JN, Executive Officer

Minutes read at the General Membership Meeting on: \_\_\_\_\_

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