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From: Garry Domnisse, Secretary CGTA
To: CGTA Board
Subject: Minutes of October 1, 2010, 5th Meeting

Biennial Meeting of CGTA (Reunion 5) Friday- October 1, 2010
Trades Winds Motor Inn, Rockland, ME.

The meeting was called to order by President Sandy Schwaab at 1900

Welcome to Tom Malloy of the Rockland City Council.

President Sandy Schwaab discussed our acquisition of the CGC APALACHEE and thanked Dot Black for putting together the event this evening. The membership voted in October 2008 to acquire the CGC APALACHEE. In Jan 2009, the association acquired the CGC APALACHEE, donated by the former owner, with a \$30K tag for fuel in the tanks (treasury report). May 2009, the ship was moved from Oswego, NY to Cleveland, Ohio by a crew of eleven members, some "vintage" 110-ft Coasties and several new sailors. In June, we moved her to a temporary mooring at Cleveland Shiprepair Company, where she remains, rent and power free. The business Plan Draft 1 is written and draft 2 is in process. President Sandy Schwaab discussed funding, and stated the lack of dues from all members is affecting the organization, the donations are small. Shirley Schwaab proposed a matching donation/grant of up to \$5,000 would be accepted. Discussed the purchasing of compartments; several compartments are still left.

City Councilman, Tom Malloy, gave welcome remarks and talked about the designation of Rockland as a Coast Guard City.

President Sandy Schwaab received an award plaque from the city of Rockland for the CGTA and APALACHEE.

Councilman Tom Malloy was presented with a CGTA ball cap.

President Sandy Schwaab discussed the silent auction and the gifts that are being auctioned off. The items are made from 450 year old wood from the pier at Coast Guard Base Boston, MA by member Dave Vaughn.

A 50/50 raffle was held and the winner was EN1 Walt Aho of SWIVEL.

Dinner was served and the meeting was resumed at 2010; President Sandy Schwaab brought the meeting back to order.

President Sandy Schwaab announced those individuals who have crossed the Bar in the last two years.

EN3 Shelby (Skip) Tyler, Ojibwa, 4 Sept 2009
PO Normand Oulette, Yankton, 2009
PO Chuck Glosner, Sauk, 7 Oct 2009
ENC Ed Jenkins, Ojibwa, 2 Feb 2009
MKC Chris White, Wyaconda, 30 Jun 2010
Marilyn Frische, 27 Dec 2009

President (Captain) Sandy Schwaab promoted the following for their effort and hard work on the CGC APALACHEE:

Jim Flynn- HMC, USNR to FSC, USCG
Ken Frische- EN2 to MK1
Vinny Frititta- EM3 to EM1
Ed Anderson- SN to BM1
Doug O'Dell- SN to IT1
Shirley Schwaab to SN/BM
Helen Gesking to SN/BM
(Missing – Wally Randolph – ET3, USN to MK1, USCG (done in Cleveland), Cathy Cunningham to SN/BM, Tim O'Dell to SN, Chris O'Dell to SA).

CWO4 Bob Gesking, our Port Engineer/Custodian, was recognized as an individual who has taken a huge investment in time and energy in support and restoration of APALACHEE.

Secretary Garry Domnisse read the minutes from the 2008 reunion and general meeting, motioned for approval by President Sandy Schwaab and seconded by VP George Staples, and approved by the membership.

VP George Staples brought up the current status of the CGC APALACHEE and the efforts put in by Bob and others in the sustenance of the ship.

President Sandy Schwaab was presented with an award from the CGTA for loyal and dedicated service.

The Treasury Report was presented by Treasurer, Doug O'Dell. Ed Anderson made a motion to accept the report, seconded by Secretary Garry Domnisse, and accepted by the members.

Jim Flynn presented the Historian's Report. The membership accepted the report.

Bob Gesking presented the Port Engineer's Report. The membership approved the report.

President Sandy Schwaab brought up where to hold the next reunion. The following places were suggested: Baltimore, Cleveland, and Buffalo, OR "where the ship is." The result was 6 votes for Baltimore, 9 votes for Cleveland, 1 for Buffalo. Cleveland carries unless the ship moves. "Where the ship moves is still on the table."

Nominations were opened for the following CGTA Board positions:

President - Sandy Schwaab
Vice President - George Staples
Secretary – Garry Domnisse
Treasurer – Doug O'Dell
Historian – Jim Flynn

As no other nominations or volunteers were suggested, all nominations were approved by the membership.

Any other new business:

An article on the current status of APALACHEE, written by the President, is to appear in the Foundation for Coast Guard History Publication, The Cutter, in October. This article will also be circulated to other USCG veteran's organizations and publications.

The meeting was adjourned at 2135.

Respectfully submitted:

Garry Domnisse Secretary