

NEW JERSEY BOAT REGULATION COMMISSION MEETING

Ocean City Yacht Club

100 Bay Rd., Ocean City, NJ 08226

March 10, 2021

I. **MEMBERS PRESENT**

Acting Chairman Ed Harrison Jr.

Shaun Blick

Leonard Mangiaracina

Roland Gehweiler Jr.

Philip Weisbecker Jr.

STAFF

SDAG Mary Beth Wood
via Teleconference

Office of the Attorney General

SDAG Emily Bisnauth

Office of the Attorney General

LT K. Trotman

NJSP, Marine Services Bureau

SFC W. Tirotti

NJSP, Marine Services Bureau

ATTENDEES

Ed Harrison III

Marine Trades Assoc. of NJ

Melissa Danko

Marine Trades Assoc. of NJ

II. **SUNSHINE LAW ANNOUNCEMENT (OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS LAW)**

The meeting was called to order at 10:42 AM by Acting Chairman Ed Harrison Jr., at which time Acting Chairman Ed Harrison Jr. announced that this meeting is being held in compliance with the provisions of Chapter 231, Public Law 1975, known as the Open Public Meetings Act. Notice of this meeting was given by annual notice filed with the Secretary of State, the Department of Law and Public Safety website, the New Jersey State Police website and it was posted at State Police Headquarters, West Trenton, NJ.

III. **MINUTES OF THE OCTOBER MEETING**

Minutes from the October Boat Regulation Commission meetings were approved via motion, seconded and voted in favor by all members.

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IV. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

- **PFD Mandatory Wear during specific times and PWC passenger location requirements:**

A discussion over the mandatory wear of Personal Floatation Devices (PFD) during specific times (I.E., Seasonal). Also, discussion with the passenger location and requirements while on a PWC. Consideration was taken and members were requested to research these topics and compare with other States regulations.

V. **NEW BUSINESS**

- Commission members reviewed and approved the Lake Mohawk Ski Hawks Boat Regulation Waiver.

VI. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Members from the Marine Trades Association advised the mandatory wear of a PFD during specific times would have a negative response within the boating community.

Ocean City Yacht Club representative requested assistance from the State Police with No Wake barrels at certain locations. SFC Tirotti advised he will forward the information and request to the proper authorities.

VII. **EXPRESSION OF APPRECIATION**

Acting Chairman Ed Harrison Jr. expressed his appreciation to the providers of the facility.

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VIII. **AGENDA FOR THE NEXT MEETING**

Compare research with the mandatory wear of the PFD and passenger requirements on a PWC.

IX. **DATE, TIME AND LOCATION OF THE NEXT MEETING**

The next Boat Regulation Commission meeting is tentatively scheduled to take place at 10:00AM on Wednesday, May 12, 2021, at the Spray Beach Yacht Club, 23rd & Long Beach Blvd., Beach Haven, NJ 08008.

X. **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned via motion by attending members.