

**MARINERS' ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR THE
BAY AND RIVER DELAWARE
MEETING September 8, 2005**

MINUTES

The Regular Quarterly Meeting of the Mariners' Advisory Committee for the Bay and River Delaware was held September 8 16, 2005 at the Ristorante LaVeranda, Philadelphia. Captain John Cuff called the meeting to order at 1045 hours. The meeting was attended by 44 Members, Associate Members, and interested parties.

I. Welcome

Captain John Cuff noted the addition of new members and welcomed all to the meeting.

II. Reading of the Minutes

Captain Roland moved that the reading of the minutes from the previous meeting be approved, Dave Walters seconded. All approved

III Report of the Treasurer

In the absence of Dennis Rochford, Captain Cuff reported a balance of \$9,204.10 John Gazzola moved that the report be accepted. Captain Roland seconded.

IV Aids to Navigation

ATON representatives were not available due to the demands of the department as it relates to Hurricane Katrina. A report will be given at the next MAC meeting.

V. NOAA

Ed Martin spoke on behalf Howard Danley who is also tied up with efforts related to Hurricane Katrina. Mr Martin reported that NOAA is working closely with the ACOE and the USCG in opening up the ports in the effected area. Mr. Martin also reported the distribution of new chart editions.

VI. Marine Safety Office USCG- Captain of the Port

In the absence of Captain Scott, Chief of Prevention Department, Kyle McAvoy reported that the Ice Conference has been scheduled for November 29th.

VII. Army Corps of Engineers (ACOE)

Roy Denmark distributed a report on the following areas:

Delaware River- Philadelphia to Sea

Wilmington Harbor

Delaware River- Philadelphia to Trenton

Schuylkill River

C & D Canal

District website information

VIII. Old Business

Coast Pilot: Catpain Cuff reported that Dave Potter is working with Howard Danley on any changes for the next publication

IX. New Business

Delair Railroad Bridge: Captain Cuff reported two incidents that are being addressed. They include: mechanical failure and a train delay.

Membership: Captain Cuff reported that MAC membership dues will be going out October 1st.

X. Adjournment

Captain Cuff announced that the next MAC meeting is scheduled for December 8 at the Ristorante LaVeranda in Philadelphia.

Captain Roland moved that the meeting be adjourned. Captain Linton seconded. All approved.

The meeting was adjourned at 1115 hours.