



# Springfield Yacht and Canoe Club

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## Minutes of the Tuesday May 17th, 2022, board meeting

**NEXT MEMBER MEETING: Thursday June 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2022, 7:00pm**

**NEXT BOARD MEETING: Tuesday June 21<sup>st</sup>, 2022, 7:00pm**

Meeting called to order at: 7:00pm

### Roll call of officers and boards members

**Commodore - Butch Wagner**- present  
**Vice Commodore- Gary Smith** - present  
**Agawam rear commodore – Ed Kelley** -absent  
**Chester Rear commodore – Jeremy Sawyer** -present  
**Treasurer – David Lankowski** -present  
**Secretary – Tina Lankowski** - present

### Board of Directors:

**Steve Buoniconti** – present  
**Mike Morassi** - present  
**Dave Jenks** – absent  
**Mat Wright**- absent  
**Wayne Harrington** - present  
**Dan Merli**- present

### Report of Secretary –

Minutes of the previous member meeting on Thursday May 5<sup>th</sup>, 2022, were approved.

Password for the website is: RIVER1210

I am attaching current By-laws and basin rules. Please review as its everyone responsible to know this info.

Reminder: If you are going to be here for any length of time, please put out the “stop in” signs (near office) This is working! **Remember to take down signs before leaving.** Thank you!

Watch for the Summerfest magazine published on June 1<sup>st</sup>. This circular lives in 11 local publications. This was an investment of \$350 but we thought a very worthwhile way of attracting members.

Please watch for it!

### Report of Treasurer –

#### Bank balances

<b>Checking</b>	<b>\$66,244.82</b>
<b>Agawam Future projects</b>	<b>\$64,015.96</b>
<b>Chester Future projects</b>	<b>\$29,282.78</b>



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House future projects	\$12,269.59
Permanent Fund	\$40,431.95
<b><u>Budget Balances</u></b>	
Agawam	(-\$881.61)
Chester	\$32,179.16 (transferred \$75,377.00 from Chester future for dredging expenses)
House	\$18,755.89

## **Report of Vice Commodore –**

Reminder: The air is on, heat is off. The set temperature for Wilbur Hall is 78 degrees. There is no heat or air turned on downstairs. Also, please keep bathroom doors open.

Some inspections were done and more should be done by end of the week.

Keep in mind renting the hall for your next event. Some great rentals this year. If you need something or have questions, please contact Gary Smith 413-427-6806 [gsmith134@comcast.net](mailto:gsmith134@comcast.net). Hall rental fee is now \$100. We are booking into June.

## **Report of Rear Commodore Chester –**

I know we have a bunch of new members, so I wanted to remind everyone of a few of the common issues we have with the club/basin rules.

1) A lot of us have dogs and that is great but just a reminder, you are responsible to keep your dogs as well as your guests' dogs on a leash and you must pick up their poop in the basin and on neighboring properties. Anyone caught not picking up after their dogs or their guest dogs will be immediately expelled from the basin with no refunds for their slip fee. Please make sure you are respectful to the other members and the club property, so this doesn't happen.

2) If you accidentally hit another member's boat, make sure you let them know so they can determine if there is any damage that needs to be fixed. There may not be any but tell them anyway so they can check it out and make sure. That is not a call anyone wants to make but they call them accidents for a reason. This is a common courtesy item that has been an issue quite a few times at the basin. All your insurance certificates are on file with the club so if you don't do the right thing yourself, I will give your insurance information to the member who's boat you hit and just let them file a claim on your policy. Please don't let it come to that!

3) The pavilion and beach are for all members to use anytime they want. There is no rental fee in Chester for the pavilion so if you decide to plan a party or gathering of any sort just understand up front it is not a private event. You can't tell other members they aren't welcome in the pavilion or the beach area because you have something going on there. If you want to hold a private event rent the hall at the clubhouse or somewhere else.

4) Hamburg Cove moorings are also for all members to use anytime they want. If you tie up there alone and other members, come, you must allow them to raft up with you. They are both meant for multiple boat use. If you refuse to raft up with other members on the club moorings, you will be brought to the board and your membership will be reevaluated at the board level. If you don't like rafting up, please be respectful and just leave the club moorings if you don't want to raft up with other members that come so it doesn't come to that.

5) Only members can operate boats in the basin. If you want someone else to operate your boat, have them become a member or don't let them take the wheel until after you leave the basin.



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6) If you want to have a friend tie up to visit you at the basin you need to get permission first from the rear Commodore, the dock master, and the member who's slip you intend to utilize. It will never be acceptable for a member to return to the basin to find someone else in their slip. Especially a non-member! This rule also applies to your dinghies.

7) No throwing cans or bottles in the fire pit! There are multiple trash cans around and the dumpster isn't that far away either! This is unacceptable and there will be consequences if you are caught doing this.

8) You are also responsible for your guests and all children you have on the property. This applies to messes in the bathroom, children under 12 wearing life jackets on the dock, and picking up messes on the beach.

9) Trespassing has become more of a problem the past few years so if you see someone you don't recognize please politely ask if they are a member. If they are not a member or guest of a member, please politely tell them they need to leave the property immediately. If they refuse to leave or cause a scene call the police and have them arrested! The no trespassing signs were put up for that reason. With them up they will be automatically charged with criminal trespassing if the police have to come remove them.

10. New registrations have come in please get me copies of yours asap.

Please just use common sense, follow the club rules, and be respectful of other members and their guests so things don't become issues I have to address.

Please don't hesitate to call, text, or email me if you have any questions or problems at the basin. Have a great boating season! Jeremy Sawyer (413)478-1536 [allexteriors1@gmail.com](mailto:allexteriors1@gmail.com)

## Report of Rear Commodore Agawam –

WHERE WE ARE NOW. The Basin is open! The South side trailer parking is clear of the barge and trailers. The North side parking is also clear; however the gravel is lumpy in spots. Watch your step!

WHAT NEEDS TO BE DONE. Cleats need to be added to some of the new dock sections. Please notify me when you're putting in and I'll get you cleated up. Some new bumpers need to be installed. Bridge Plates have been installed between the new dock sections.

OTHER STUFF. The new signs are in place and look great. Still haven't heard of any stripers or shad being caught. I'd like to offer our newer members driving lessons that are helpful in dealing with our basin. Everyone knows how to drive until they need to get out of the ramp area. We've all seen the results. If you are at the club house, remember to pick up a couple of brochures to hand out. Be safe.

Contact me at 413-231-2491 or [kellevej@verizon.net](mailto:kellevej@verizon.net). For the quickest response, text me.

Ed Kelley

Agawam Rear Commodore

Ed was absent will send any notes asap.

## Report of Committees

**Membership Committee –** (all are approved to be voted on at June meeting)

### New Flag:

Jennifer Belden

Sponsors:

Joe LaBelle & Karl Geiger (voted on last time)

Mark Ripolone

Sponsors:

Karl Geiger & Paul LeGrand

Anne Marie Mascaro

Sponsors:

Ed Kelly & Karl Geiger

Tom Tourigny

Sponsors:

David Fusick & Gary Fusick



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**Flag to active:**

Dan Tourville	<b>Sponsors:</b>	Karl Geiger & Mark Rafe
David Govine	<b>Sponsors:</b>	Jeremy Sawyer & David Smith
Phil Alarie	<b>Sponsors:</b>	Karl Geiger & TJ Doody

**Entertainment/education Committee –**

Potluck Sundays on the river

We usually gather any time in the afternoon, snack continuously and eat dinner around 5:30-6:00pm.

**Finance committee-NTR**

**Nominating committee-** All positions open for next year. Please consider taking a position. The openings for next year will **directly** result in the club being able to function.

**Quartermaster-NTR**

**Webmaster-**If you have anything we should include on the website please contact Al Duprey at [alanduprey@yahoo.com](mailto:alanduprey@yahoo.com).

**Planning committee-NTR**

**Bylaw committee-** any changes are due to the board on or before May 17<sup>th</sup> board meeting to be voted on in June.

We will be voting to raise dues 10%. To \$434 yearly. See attached By-law change. No increase in 4 years.

**Unfinished Business –NTR**

**New business –**

Really interested in ways to promote the club and increase membership. Your input is very valued.

Adjournment, motion made to adjourn, seconded, approved. The meeting was adjourned at: 9:08 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Tina Lankowski SYCC Secretary

**MEETINGS FOR 2022**

<u>June</u>	Member	June 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Board	June 21 <sup>st</sup>
<u>July</u>	<b>NO MEETINGS</b>			
<u>August</u>			<b>Board only</b>	<b>August 16<sup>th</sup></b>
<u>September</u>	Member	September 1 <sup>st</sup>	Board	September 20 <sup>th</sup>
<u>October</u>	Member	October 6 <sup>th</sup>	Board	October 18 <sup>th</sup>
<u>November</u>	Member	November 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Board	November 15 <sup>th</sup>
<u>December</u>	Member	December 1 <sup>st</sup>	Board	December 2