

Bay State Council of Divers

Meeting Minutes for January 18, 2017

Meeting held at the SSN's Clubhouse, Quincy, MA 7:40 – 9-ish PM

Attendees:

John	Blackadar	SSN
Angelo	Correnti	SSN / BSC President
Theresa	Czerepica	SSN
Ken	Hayes	SSN
Mary	Howard	NSF / BSC Secretary
Matt	Lawrence	SBNMS
Vin	Malkoski	DMF / Sea Rovers
Ted	Maney	Salem State University / Sea Rovers
Jim	Nannery	MWDC
Jim	Walker	SSN
Carl	Yngve	SSN

Organizations represented include:

MA Division of Marine Fisheries (DMF)
MetroWest Dive Club (MWDC)
North Shore Frogmen's Club (NSF)
Salem State University
Sea Rovers
South Shore Neptunes (SSN)
Stellwagen Bank National Marine Sanctuary (SBNMS)

Ocean Access Program At Sea Rovers:

Angelo suggests we have Jim N's film and Mary's photos at the Sea Rovers Event – SSN has projector and screen that we can use for that.

Suggested edits for the video: Moves too fast. Make the print easily visible and keep it up long enough to read. Can you get the signage in the video? Mary to forward her pictures.

Format of the program, content, prep and show it.

Angelo up front

John B will discuss what we want to do

State person to speak? Another speaker? – Jim N is trying to get hold of Jack Shepherd who was part of writing the state document “Preserving Historic Rights of Way to the Sea: a Practical Handbook for Reclaiming Public Access in Massachusetts” to see if he knows anyone who would be willing to speak at our meeting.

Show the video

Open up for questions; tell people that if we don't have the answers to their questions, we'll get it for them.

Ask for names of people interested in working on the issue
Goal is to get some people to take this issue and run with it.

We have the room for the whole afternoon, 1-4PM.

If no one shows up for this meeting, then maybe we'll forget it. (Blackie)

Flyers: Mary will update letter and MAIL (snail mail) to John B. (**Action Item** pending) John will make that into a flyer.

Mary will get her photos to Jim Nannery. (**Action Item** pending) What else do you want?

Stellwagen Bank National Marine Sanctuary – Matthew Lawrence

Two new National Marine Sanctuary designations are in process with comment periods be coming. Matt will let us know when. They are:

- Potomac River at Mallow's Bay – ship graveyard
- Wisconsin, western shore of the Lake Michigan – wrecks, from entire span of Great Lakes shipping history

The Canyons and Seamounts were named national monument

Club News/Updates:

North Shore Frogmen – On March 9, club will have a speaker from DAN, Peter Buzzacott, coming to speak at the meeting at PCYC in Salem. Will be speaking on decompression accidents and safety tips for the “older” diver.

South Shore Neptunes banquet – 1/28

SSN trip to Bonaire – you are welcome to sign up.

Next meetings: scheduled for February 8, 2017.

[Sea Rovers is March 10-11]

Next meeting agenda:

Ocean Access Issue planning