

Minutes of the Colvin Crew
Reorganization meeting.
March 20, 2008
Ranger School, Wanakena, N.Y.

The following Crew members were present:

Larry Rathman, Mike Webb, George Butts, Joe Malinowski, C. Donald Carpenter, Jim Vianna.
Scott Allen and his son Chris.

The Camp Clerk, George Butts, called the meeting to order at 7:10 pm.

Camp Clerk's Report:

1. Mr. Butts announced his resignation and appointed Jim Vianna as temporary clerk for the meeting.
2. Mr. Butts reported that there is a \$550.79 Crew balance that needs to be transferred to the new camp clerk.

New business:

1. A discussion was held by the members present on how best to perpetuate the Crew. It was decided that the next two years should be used as an interim reorganization period. To that end, a "steering committee" was established consisting of those members in attendance. This steering committee will hold periodic meetings as needed to develop a formal plan of succession for the Crew. The committee will present its plan to the board for the boards approval and adoption within the next two years.
2. The next meeting of the steering committee is scheduled for April 15, 2008 at 7:00 pm by teleconference to the Ranger School.
3. The first recommendation of the Steering Committee was to elect a slate of officers for the said two year interim period. To that end and by vote of those members present, the following offices were filled: Camp Superintendent, Jim Vianna, Asst. Superintendent, Joe Malinowski, Camp Clerk, Mike Webb, Historian/Record custodian, Larry Rathman, Note keeper, Gail Simmons.
4. Any Crew members interested in serving on the steering committee should contact the Asst. Superintendent.

Camp Clerk Report: Mike Webb

1. Mike will look into opening a new bank account to receive the Crew's funds from Mr. Butts.
2. Initial membership dues will continue at \$25. There will be no annual dues at this time.
3. A packet will be mailed to the membership containing the minutes of this meeting, request for e-mail addresses and whether they wish to remain on as a member.
4. In order to reduce costs, workload and disseminate information in a timely fashion, future "Crew News" will be sent by e-mail.
5. Mike is working with Larry Rathman in developing a new Crew application form for future use.

Historian's Report: Larry Rathman

1. Larry reported on his efforts to date in contacting the maker of the Crew's pins. This has proved to be difficult as the company has changed ownership and no longer has the original design. The

interim board granted authorization to pursue other companies if needed and to obtain a supply of pins.

2. Larry is working on obtaining new membership cards.

Superintendent's Report: Jim Vianna

1. Jim stated that he would like to see two trips a year conducted to follow in V. Colvin's footsteps. Jim suggested that spring and fall would be good times to conduct such outings. To that end, he has been working on planning a May or June recovery this year to Middle Saranac Lake to recover Colvin's measured baseline, (Bolts 49 & 50). Jim has obtained copies of Colvin's field notes detailing their location and the measurements taken from said bolts. If possible, a team will be sent up nearby Ambersand Mtn. to recover the third point and erect a reflector so measurements can be made from the lake to close this triangle.
2. Jim submitted a copy of Mr. Carpenters report on the Crew's outing to recover the northwest corner of Saratoga County this past fall. This trip was well attended and by all reports was a great success.
3. Members with suggestions for this falls trip should contact Jim with there ideas.
4. Jim recommended that a membership in the Crew be granted to Les Denison, LS of the N.Y.S. Dept. of Environmental Conservation for his excellent assistance in supplying the Crew with field notes and other valuable information that makes these recoveries possible. A motion was made by Mr. Carpenter, seconded by Larry Rathman to waive the membership fee and grant Mr. Denison full membership in the Crew, approved.
5. Jim asked that any members with diaries, notes or articles of interest pertaining to the Crew's history or past recoveries be sent to the Historian for consolidation and safe keeping.

A motion was made by Mr. Carpenter, seconded by Joe Malinowski to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 8:08 PM.