

**October 13, 2018**

**9:00 to 12:00**

## **Model Shipwright Guild of Western NY**

### Meeting Agenda:

- Greeting and Introductions 10 min  
Chuck, Don, Bill, Len, Lacy, Bob, Tim, Sam attended

- Business: All 40 min

*Carry forward comments of the slight name change to our organization to **MSwNY**. Not proposing we change the name of our web site.*

After a brief discussion the group voted for a change to our identification. We have shortened the abbreviated name of our group name to **MSWNY**. **The web site will not change.** Chuck is making up new museum brochures and that is the identity we will carry within.

*Call for topics and volunteers for future meetings in the 2018-2019 schedule. Please open up the attached document and consider presenting a feature topic for the months open.*

After discussion members in attendance offered subjects that they will participate in this year. A table has been attached to the minutes which will be kept active for presenter's and members at large. You may switch months with another member should the need arise. It will be the presenter's responsibility to arrange that with another member. Plan on a segment that will last about 45 to 60 minutes as that will be the main event for the monthly meeting.

*Call for volunteers to sign up for a sub assembly for the River Patrol Boat project. Many hands make for lighter work and many of the sub assemblies are "take home". That table is attached as well.*

Time did not permit detailed coverage of this topic. Members were reminded that their participation was needed as the hull assembly is likely to be ready by year's end. One member has volunteered to do a "mockup" of the radar dome as a gesture of involvement. Also Lacy brought in his beautiful restricting of the 50 caliber gun(s) for the forward turret. He did a beautiful job. He used Chuck's "super" CA to restructure the handle of the gun as other adhesives didn't work.



*Events/Visits for the coming months. Mike has been reaching out beyond our doors to determine if there is interest in a demonstration/display of our works at a local venue. Mike will update us and we will take it from there.*

This was covered in brevity and since Mike was not available we will make it a topic at November meeting.

*Writing an article for a local publication to tell the world about our group.*

This topic was briefly discussed and Joe agreed to follow up on the article with the editor. The magazine of interest is 55+

- A Research Journey into The US Essex of 1799: Joe Lorenzo/Sam Cassano 70 min  
*The Frigate Essex was one of the 12 (11?) frigates built for the US after the Revolutionary War. It did not have a sparkling history of service but is one of the “better” documented ships of the period thanks to those who have gone before us. Yet can an accurate model be built? We will delve into its provenance and draw some conclusions as we use this subject to sharpen our skills in research.*

As the main topic of the meeting there was much lively discussion around the process of research for ship models. The Essex of 1799 was used as the subject to illustrate the complexities and sources of information available. The entire presentation will be added to our web Resource page under Topics of Interest for reference.

- The Atlantis Finished and Delivered: Joe Lorenzo 20 min  
*After 20 months of work the model “Herself” was delivered to the client. Some reflections and lessons learned.*

A very brief closeout commentary of the commission model “Herself” aka Atlantis was made. Here is a picture of it in its new home.



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A Ship Building Lesson: A Video

25min

*One can learn a good deal from the those who build real ships and boats. Witness an interesting and informative lesson on preparing the keel for steam bent frames.*

Not covered due to time limits of the meeting