



MEETING MINUTES

WINNIPESAUKEE 2529

NOVEMBER 11, 2018

The meeting was called to order at 10:00am by Joe Boucher. Joe thanked Dave Broughton for the great success of the Harvest Dinner last night. The meeting started with the Pledge of Allegiance, then followed by Joe's joke of the day.

Ron Egalka welcomed everyone and thanked all the veterans for their service to the country on this Veterans Day. He stated that shortly he would give the candidates for office a chance to speak to the chapter.

Dave Broughton spoke next to the success of the Harvest Dinner stating this was the most successful event so far. He thanked his committee and Barb and Carl Harris for the video of the year's rides and events. Dave thanked Rick Bassett for supplying the tickets for the 50/50. He thanked Joe Monti and Steve Parsons for always selling raffle tickets. Lastly, he thanked Stu Weiner for always helping the ticket desk.

The next event Dave spoke of, the Altrusa Tree Decorating being held the Sunday after Thanksgiving. The event will be held at the Waukegan Country Club at 12pm on 11/25. He reminded everyone participating to bring a gift card that will be given to the family members being helped by the organization. He shared that last year the Chapter collected a total of \$425.00 in gift cards as well as the tree being "gifted". After the tree decorating the group goes to Giuseppe's for lunch.

January 25-27 is the next Chapter event being held at The Stonehurst Manor. It is a snowmobile trip and Ice Bar bash. Dave shared that 15 people were already booked for the Ice Bar (tickets sold separately) Clark Mansur asked if anyone could join the snowmobile ride if they had their own sleds. Yes.

Rick Bassett reminded everyone the mileage contest is ending November 17th.

Will Swart, thanked all the Veterans for their service. He also mentioned that members should record mileage for Resolution to Ride and Ride 365. Upcoming event on Black Friday with the Tree Lighting, specials throughout the day as well as on going activities at the dealership. Will said to be on look out for a NEW program the dealership is rolling out that will prove to be very rewarding for active HOG members. More news and info will be coming soon.

Kathy Swart spoke about upcoming Pub Mania, event to raise money for Greater Lakes Region Children's Auction. Biker Bingo is scheduled for 11/17 flyers are available at the dealership. Pub Mania is selling apple pies and orders need to be completed by November 15. There will be an ongoing auction from December 4-8th if anyone interested in donating a new item please see her. The "Iron Butts" still have seven slots open to sign up for anyone interested in sitting on a bar stool for an hour. The seat costs \$100.00 to reserve a time slot, and it is encouraged for all people participating to raise as much money as possible. Anyone looking to volunteer time, money or items please see Kathy Swart.

Joe Newman thanked Dave Broughton for the planning of the Harvest Dinner, a great time was had by all. He also thanked all the Veterans and stated how grateful he was for with their service.

Fran Maineri gave the Treasurer's report beginning balance of \$ 5,145.71. Member donations, harvest supper raffle and HOG merchandise sales totaling \$1,389.04

After office expenses, Harvest Dinner meals and Norscot order expenses totaling \$2,204.76 Fran also stated that the Chapter payed for all veterans' meals at the Harvest Dinner. Ending month balance \$4,329.99. Fran mentioned that he won the raffle last night, which he donated to the Children's Auction. Fran said that next month he will do an overview of the Treasurers job and how the books are handled.

Gerry Fernandez shared that we now have 157 active members. He said that January is a big month for renewals and he is being proactive to ensure that they are done promptly with a reminder that the fee is \$20.00 NOT \$17.00. Ron Egalka also mentioned that members need to stay up to date with your membership dues as the "new" LHD dealership incentives will hinge on current/active members. Rick Bassett thanked Gerry for doing a great job keeping him up to date on all new and renewal memberships making it easier for the dealership.

Maria Newman asked why we no longer have a \$25.00 membership fee. (There were multiple people responding to this question) Fran spoke up to clarify that a few years ago it was \$25.00 for new members and then \$17.00 for renewals. There was some confusion from that. So approximately. 2 years ago, the chapter voted that we would collect \$20.00 for all members. Maria wanted to suggest that we consider raising the member fees to help get more money in the chapter budget. Dave Broughton explained that he brought this up a few years ago and it was shut down.

Ron suggested that we could shelf the idea of raising of member fees, for now and perhaps revisit when the new board is in place. Ron mentioned that Barb Harris suggested and implemented a new member drive. Fran mentioned that because of the type of non-profit organization we are, we cannot have a large amount of money in our account.

Maria and Fran are working on a way to make the purchases of member merchandise (except HOG merchandise) be handled so the club does not have to front the money.

Rick Bassett mentioned he would like to be on the Ride Committee for 2019. Fran stated that he was going to step down from the ride committee. Ron Egalka

wanted people interested in being on the ride committee to think about it for the new board. Bruce Klinger asked how many members were on the ride committee? Ron stated that there is no set #. Tom Cady, said it works best with a smaller group, bigger groups can never make decisions. Ron shared that the rides were decided in January – February and are posted no later than April. Clark Mansur asked if committee meeting were on weekdays or weekends. Discussion from several people stating meeting were usually weekends. It was mentioned that we would have a signup sheet at the next meeting for interested members.

Barb Harris mentioned the Iron Ride Adventure for 2019 at Okeemo has 47 rooms left. The event is July 17-20. She also mentioned that anyone looking to participate or volunteer to see her.

Mike Gregory candidate for Director spoke about being a member of Chapter since 2015. He lives in Jefferson and during the summer he lives at a campground in Ashland. He is looking forward to doing a good job as Director.

Joe Monti candidate for Treasurer. He stated that no one can fill Fran Maineri's shoes. Joe is looking forward to just fine tuning the job as Treasurer. Maria Newman asked about the voting. Ron stated that there are only two positions open, one person for each office has been nominated and, therefore, running unopposed. Steve Parsons made a motion that was seconded by Fran to close the nominations and have the vote take place at the December meeting. The Membership unanimously voted to pass Steve's motion.

Joe Boucher pulled two winning tickets prizes donated by Laconia Harley. First winner: Davy Williams, second was Sherri Gregory. Membership donation winner was Ron Egalka and he turned his winnings to the Lakes Region Children's Auction.

The meeting adjourned at 10:56am.

Treasurers report on file.

Respectfully submitted by:

Julie Klinger