

**Rolling Thunder® Illinois Chapter 1
Meeting Minutes**

Minutes of Rolling Thunder, Inc. Illinois Chapter One General Membership Meeting

January 5th, 2011

The Rolling Thunder® Inc. Illinois Chapter Meeting of January 5th 2011 was called to order by President Bill Sharpness at 19:30 at the VFW in Warrenville, IL. The membership pledged allegiance to the American Flag and had a moment of silence for Illinois POW/MIA's that went missing during the Viet Nam War, and are still missing in the month of January, along with POW Bowe Bergdahl still held in Afghanistan. The Rolling Thunder® Mission Statement was read. The Board attendance is listed below:

Attending	Name	Position
Yes	Bill " Hawk" Sharpness	President
Excused	Dominic "Hard Core" Ruggerio	Acting Vice-President
Yes	Jim "Snipe" Murray	Treasurer
Yes	Tony "Clutch" Leone	Secretary
Yes	Richard "Popeye" Montgomery	Chairman of the Board
Excused	Kristina "Kriss" Sedlacek	Board Member
Yes	Richy "Fr. Guido" Zayat	Board Member
Excused	Doug "Skippy" Mahar	Board Member
Excused	Dennis "LT" Reiter	Board Member
Yes	Bill B.B. Houghtaling	Board Member

26 of 77 members in attendance. No guests or potential new members present.

President Bill "Hawk" Sharpness

- Bill announced a welcome home parade in Darien at 13:00 on Monday for a returning warrior that has been deployed in Afghanistan for the last 6 months. If anyone is interested notify Hawk.

- Also announced an event at Zylstra Harley Davidson on January 22nd which they are calling a Beach Party. We have been asked if we would like to set up a booth. If anyone is interested in attending please email Hawk.

- Hawk reminded everyone of the Rolling Thunder National Event on Memorial Day. Flyers are being distributed and we will discuss Memorial Day events for those not attending the rally in Washington D.C.
Hawk passed around Thank You letters from organizations that we have either participated in, or donated to.

Treasurer's Report - Jim "Snipe" Murray

- Snipe reviewed the Treasurers report and the money spent during the year is being regenerated by our fundraising activities which are keeping us balanced as an organization.
- Snipe thanked the Southside contingent of members for their effort in getting our trailer finished for a great price of \$\$\$\$. The attending members recognized this effort with vigorous applause.
- Tickets for the Rolling Thunder® National Bike Raffle are available. Tickets are 3 for \$10.00.

Secretary's Report - Tony "Clutch" Leone

- Boot patch was announced for Joseph Yonek who was not in attendance. Rocker and back patches were awarded to Charles Kimber and Howard Bushnell.
- An announcement was made that dues for 2011 are in the process of being collected. I would like to put this issue to rest before the end of the 1st quarter.

Chairman of the Board- Richard "Popeye" Montgomery

- International Bike show is February 11-13th at the Donald E. Stevens Convention Center in Rosemont. Popeye solicited members if they would like to volunteer in 3 hour shifts to help with the Ride for Kids fundraiser that will be

at the show. Popeye will be able to get you in the bike show for free. Please notify Popeye if interested.

Meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Tony Leone, Secretary
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