

**Rolling Thunder®, Inc. Illinois Chapter One
General Membership Meeting Minutes
September 5th, 2012**

The Rolling Thunder® Inc. Illinois Chapter Meeting of May 2nd, 2012 was called to order by Vice President Dominic Ruggiero at 19:30 at the VFW in Warrenville, IL. The membership pledged allegiance to the American Flag and had a moment of silence for the Five Illinois POW/MIA's that went missing during the Vietnam War, and are still missing in the month of May, 2012. Mission Statement was read by Vice President Dominic Ruggiero.

The Board attendance is listed below:

Attending	Name	Position
Excused	Bill Sharpness (Hawk)	President
Yes	Dominic Ruggiero (Hard Core)	Acting Vice-President
Yes	Jim Murray (Snipe)	Treasurer
Excused	Tony Leone (Clutch)	Secretary #1
Yes	Robert Leskovar	Secretary #2
Yes	Richard Montgomery (Popeye)	Chairman of the Board
Yes	Kristina Sedlacek (Kriss)	Board Member
Yes	Richy Zayat (Father Guido)	Board Member
Yes	Chuck Kimber (Boat Sides)	Board Member
Yes	Bill Atkinson (Fall Out)	Board Member
Yes	Dennis Reiter (LT)	Board Member
Excused	Bill Houghtaling (B.B.)	Board Member

39 of 76 adult members were in attendance. Additionally there were 1 guest.

President- Bill Sharpness (Hawk) - Excused

Vice President-Dominic Ruggiero (Hard Core)

- The Major Topic of tonights meeting is to conduct elections. The positions of VP, Treasurer and 2 Board members are open. Nominations were as follows:
 - VP - Dominic Ruggiero is running unopposed
 - Treasurer - James Murray is running unopposed
 - Board Members - Snickers / Raffles / Knute
- Ballots were handed out to all member present and voting took place. Whoever is voted in must accept the position and be prepared to do the job.

- Recumbent bathing system was paid for however we had to pay the state taxes on it due to not having a State Tax ID number that is non-profit. Board is looking into how we can get the proper designation in order to not have to pay taxes going forward.
- Coordinating with LasSalle Veterans Home in order to get grant money we received designated/spent on the projects we requested it for. We are required to submit monthly reports on how we spent the money as well as provide documentation.
- Results of Elections are as follows:
 - VP - Dominic Ruggiero
 - Treasure - James Murray
 - Snickers - Board Member
 - Knute - Board Member

Treasurer's Report - Jim Murray (Snipe)

- Asks that all members continue to push tickets prior to BTR If we count on BTR day to sell tickets and weather is bad we could end up not covering the cost of the bike.
- Electrical Service for the BTR stage was upgraded professionally last month so we have more power then we could ever need. This should eliminate some of the issues we have had to deal with in the past on the day of the event.

Secretary's Report - Tony Leone (Clutch) - Excused

Chairman of the Board- Richard Montgomery (Popeye)

- Reminder of September 22nd ride starting in Montgomery and ending at Fox River Harley to support the troops for anyone who is interested in attending.
- POW/MIA recognition day - Algonguin VFW post sponsoring event to celebrate for any members interested in attending.
- October 14th is Chapter #2 Rolling Thunder Event for anyone wanting to make the ride with the group to support their event. They always have a small contingency who attends ours and shows support. We need to support theirs in return.

Board Member-Kristina Sedlacek (Kriss)

- Most details for BTR are worked out. Still need volunteers to support the different stops on the Poker Run. We have one more stop this year so we need more people to support.
- Father Guido and BB will be working the Bike Show event together.
- Please be sure to bring Raffle prizes the day of set up so we have everything ready to go the day before the event.
- Hawk is working on the Route for the four stops on the Poker run. He will have it completed before the next Board Meeting.
- Set up day for BTR is Saturday October 6th. Be at the Batavia VFW at 9am ready to work.
- The BTR is on Sunday October 7th and all members need to be there at 7am when Registration starts. Plan on being there at the end of the day to clean up. Seems like most members disappear before the end of the day and it is the same people every year cleaning up after everyone leaves.
- Weebles has completed the BTR booklet. Anyone who wants to add anything needs to let him know by 10am tomorrow.

Board Member-Richy Zayat (Father Guido) - Nothing to add.

Board Member - Chuck Kimber (Boat Sides) - Nothing to add.

Board Member - Bill Atkinson (Fall Out) - Nothing to add.

Board Member-Dennis Reiter (LT)

- LT will lead group to Cantigny on the 29th to mon booth and perform Remembrance Table. Meet at Warrenville VFW at 10:30am the morning of to ride out there together.

Board Member-Bill Houghtaling (B.B.) - Excused

Secretary - Rob Leskovar Nothing to add

Other Concerns: None

Meeting was adjourned at _2020hrs.

Respectfully submitted,
Rob Leskovar, Secretary
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