

**Rolling Thunder®, Inc. Illinois Chapter One
General Membership Meeting Minutes
October 3rd, 2012**

The Rolling Thunder® Inc. Illinois Chapter Meeting of October 3rd, 2012 was called to order by Vice 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 the Five Illinois POW/MIA's that went missing during the Vietnam War, and are still missing in the month of October, 2012. Mission Statement was read by Vice President Dominic Ruggerio.

The Board attendance is listed below:

Attending	Name	Position
Yes	Bill Sharpness (Hawk)	President
Yes	Dominic Ruggerio (Hard Core)	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	Knute Weick	Board Member
Yes	Chuck Kimber (Boat Sides)	Board Member
Excused	Bill Atkinson (Fall Out)	Board Member
Yes	James Slenk	Board Member
Yes	Bill Houghtaling (B.B.)	Board Member

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

President- Bill Sharpness (Hawk)

- Members were asked to bet BTR Bike Raffle tickets in as soon as possible.
- Membership informed that most of tonight's meeting was going to be dedicated to final coordination of the BTR event taking place this coming weekend.
- The BTR is a mandatory event. Saturday morning we need to be there at 9am for set up.
- On Sunday the day of BTR we need to be at the VFW at 7:00am.
- Bill asked for members to plan on straying late as well as being there early. History shows that we have plenty of people on site at 7:00 am in the morning but not many (but the same people every year) for tearing the event down. We need to plan on staying later for clean up.

- LT will be running the Remembrance Table for BTR. He needs volunteers. Please see LT after this meeting if you are going to be able to volunteer for the table.
- Covered the National Conference Coming up and that Chuck Kimber and James Murray will be representing us at the conference. If you have any questions you would like answered about Rolling thunder please be sure to pass the questions along to them as soon as possible.

Vice President-Dominic Ruggerio (Hard Core) - Nothing to add.

Treasurer's Report - Jim Murray (Snipe)

- We have paid for the bike based on the tickets that have been turned in at tonight's meeting. We need to have the rest of the tickets turned in either Saturday or Sunday this coming weekend..
- Call out was made again to make sure every member was committed to working both Saturday and Sunday this coming weekend to support the BTR,
- Covered September Financials with membership and informed them of the Tax Exemption issue related to the Incumbent bathing system. Explained we do not agree with paying the taxes however we need to do it to keep the project moving and not run the risk of losing future Grants due to not being able to disburse the funds quick enough.

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

Chairman of the Board- Richard Montgomery (Popeye)

- Thanked all members for their support on selling Bike Raffle tickets.

Board Member-Kristina Sedlacek (Kriss)

- Big Thunder Run Update - Still need some volunteers for Registration Sunday morning.
- There are four stops and there is still a few people needed at these stops to cover efficiently all bikes as they flow through.
- Chuck Kimber will be holding 8am meeting with all people working at stops to cover the proper way to stamp the poker run cards as well as the rules related to cards as they are drawn from the deck.
- Moe and his team have parking covered.
- BB has the Bike show covered.
- Raffles will be covering the Raffles. We still need more items to raffle off.
- Remembrance Table is going to be performed and is being coordinated by LT. Please see him after this meeting to volunteer.

- Food is being provided by Bull Dogs. They are a local restaurant that we hope works out as well would like to continue to partner with local businesses for the BTR.
- Logistics are being worked out for the Hines Vets to get to the BTR. Chapter will pay for the VETS meals and T-shirts.
- Stage is being delivered Saturday Morning at 7:00am.
- VFW will be providing breakfast even though they are not providing lunch. Riders will have to pay for Breakfast.
- Saturday morning will be very busy and we will need all the help we can get to get things set up and the programs all stuffed.

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

Board Member- Knute Weick - Nothing to add.

Board Member- James Slenk - Nothing to add.

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

Board Member - Bill Atkinson (Fall Out) - Excused

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

- BB heading up the Bike show event and needs one other volunteer to work with setting up Bike Show. Entry fee will be \$5.
- Need three volunteers to work the bike show registration table when bike start to return from the run. See BB after the meeting to volunteer.
- Bike show will take up most of the afternoon so volunteers should not be signed up to work somewhere else at the same time.

Secretary - Rob Leskovar

- Asked members to review attendance sheet to correct any information that may be incorrect.
- A reminder was given that Dues will be due come January 1st 2013.

Other Concerns: None

Motion was made to adjourn. The motion was seconded.

Meeting was adjourned at 2035 hrs.

Respectfully submitted,
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