

Metro Chapter A.B.A.T.E

Coon Rapids VFW Post 9625

Tuesday June 8, 2021

Officers in Attendance:

President	Nick Capra	Secretary	[Open Position]
Vice President	Marcia Capra	Chapter Rep	Ron Lischeid
Treasurer	Joe Jones	Mstr. Sgt. At Arms	Brian LaDoux
		Sgt. At Arms	Marcia Capra
			Joe (JJ) Jones

Opened meeting at 7 pm with the Pledge of Allegiance Led by Michelle

Member	5 (not including officers)	Guests	2
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Secretary Report: Reading of minutes waived. Motion to waive: Joe (JJ) second by Dave (Putz) – Motion Passed

Treasurer Report: JJ. Financials are great. Motion to accept the report as given by Michelle second by Uncle Bill – Motion Passed.

Chapter Rep Report: None. Ron Lischeid gave information about the B.O.D. The next meeting will be July 16 at the Buffalo House all are welcome. Look at all the flyers and get involved at the different events. The Motorcycle Safety Task Force is taking applications for membership thru July. Get involved.

Legislative News: It was passed that May is Motorcycle Safety Awareness Month. Highway Bill 2021 check points, HF1232/SF Motorcycle Endorsement fees is up front, this made it to the House and Senate Transportation Bill. There are 42 pieces of legislation to work through we should all get involved with this. The next Meeting is July 15th, all are welcome.

State Rally: The next meeting will be July 16th at the Buffalo House at 10:00. We need to sign up for shifts and come up with T-shirt designs. Sell tickets, if you need tickets see Nick, and get involved with planning. We Need volunteers to sign up. We need Sponsors. Nick has Passports for sale also.

Calendar status report: We have sold a total of 104 Calendars to date, Given out – Gifted 36 (Chapters throughout the State, Route 47, Casa Rio, Park Tavern and Vendors at NTWB). The Chapter owns 65 calendars yet to sell and there are an additional 45 in inventory with Ron. Chapter profit to date \$300 with 110 calendars yet to sell (Owned + Inventory with Ron). Maybe this year we can get a price break and not have to buy so many, and we plan to get an earlier start to get ahead of the Christmas Season.

Dial-A-Ride: Ron Lischeid/ Joe K – There were 11 crashes, and Ron needs help distributing flyers, cards, and coasters.

Products/Membership/Retention: Joe had a few sales this month.

Web Page: Uncle Bill is still working hard on upgrading the Web Page to have the products on there and get more pictures of our events for him. Is anyone interested in taking over him?

Grapevine: Joe K – Joe has a great article in the Grapevine on time.

Old Business: What is the status on the credit for the Donnie Smith Show?
Not The Winter Bash was a blast. Well attended, considering the weather and a Holiday weekend, we were in the black \$138.96 and 7 new memberships, yeah

New address is PO Box 142 Mapleton, MN 56065 for the State

Social Media: Doc – Facebook has 1,018 likes and 1,058 followers. Our public group page has 524 members.

Upcoming Events:

- Get your Passport Run Stop for the Riding Season
- Independence Rally CMA July 2-4
- Our next monthly meeting at the VFW Coon Rapids July 6th
- The Upper Kettle River Shake Down ABATE Jack Pine Riders July 9th-11th
- Breakfast Fund Raiser at Route 47 July 18th
- Summer Thunder Run & Pig Roast ABATE East Central July 24th
- B.A.S.S Run July 24th
- Fun Run and Benefit for Shelli (Johansen) Martin July 31st
- 25th Annual Harley Davidson Heaven Memorial Ride August 21st
- ABATE Of Minnesota State Rally September 1st-5th
- State Rally Memorial Ride for the Fallen September 4th
- Meeting of The Minds September 23rd-26th

New Business: Get your advanced tickets for the State Rally from Nick
Taco Night is going up to \$12.99 bigger and better, and \$2.50 for each plate to us.
Road Noise Business of the month Casa Rio and Route 47

Meeting adjourned at 8:15 pm Joe /made the motion and Uncle Bill second it all were in favor.