

A.B.A.T.E of Minnesota - Metro Chapter
Coon Rapids V.F.W.
November 11th, 2025
Metro Meeting Minutes

Attendance:

President: Jameson Lemke Vice President: Not Present
Treasurer: Joe "JJ" Jones Secretary: Shannon Bros
Chapter Rep: Shannon Bros

Sgt at Arms: Eric Bout-It, Tammi Robison, Marcia Capra

Members: Putz, Marcia Borchardt, Rob Drometer. Total members in attendance: 9.

Guests: No Guests in attendance

We opened the meeting at 7pm with the pledge of allegiance led by Eric

Secretary Report: The chapter looked over the minutes from last month's meeting. Motion to accept secretary report, made by Eric, seconded by Tammi. All in favor, motion passed.

Treasurer Report: The Metro Meet and Eat was a success. Next one is scheduled for December 1st. The chapter only has \$37.57 currently in the gambling account. The young riders donation from October will be moved over shortly. Motion to accept Treasurer's Report made by Tammi, seconded by Marcia B. All in favor, motion passed.

Chapter Rep Report: Bikerday shirts are available for preorder only and all orders must be submitted to Kari by December 10th. The state is looking for chapter donations to Biker Day to help cover the costs of transportation, material printing, and building packets. A motion was made to donate \$200 to help cover Biker Day costs. Motion made by Putz to donate \$200, seconded by Marcia. All in favor, motion passed. Heartland Steam is looking for volunteers and donations from each chapter. Discussion to happen in upcoming meetings. Motion to accept the Chapter Rep report made by Putz, seconded by Marcia C. All in favor, motion passed.

Chapter Committee Reports:

Membership Committees, events and updates

--Membership Activity & Event Committees

--Current list of expired members handed out.

--Member Training & Activities Committee: No current update.

State Rally Report: Sponsorship and attendance was way down. We need to get bigger involvement from our members.

Legislative Business: Monthly update in the road noise. Nothing new to report.

New Business:

- Wisconsin vetoed a block on eliminating combustion engines. Need to keep a legislative eye open on this topic.
- We still have 50 buddy bears to give out. We need to find 2 more places to donate to. The chapter is discussing how many and if we want to order bears for 2026. Tabled until December meeting.
- Shannon is already accepting silent auction donations for our St Patty's Party. The date is set for March 14th, 2026 at Route 47. It looks like Rogue Royal will be returning as the band. Tickets will be \$20 presale and \$25 at the door. The event will run from 6-10pm. We are looking for volunteers and donations to the bake sale and silent auction. Tickets and flyers to be printed after official band confirmation.
- Donnie Smith booth will be reserved soon. We are unsure if Dial A Ride will be partnering with us this year. We are looking to see if we can get state products to sell at the event. The date is March 28th and 29th.
- Metromorial is in the works for Memorial weekend. Trying to get Southern Express as our band again this year. Need to work on finding vendors.

Upcoming Events

- Next Meeting Coon Rapids VFW Tuesday, December 9th, 2025 from 7-8pm
- Breakfast at Route 47 TBD
- Metro Meet and Eat at Welch's Big 10 Monday December 1st, from 4-8pm
- St. Patty's Warmup Route 47 Saturday March 14th, 2026, from 6-10pm
- Donnie Smith Bike Show March 28th and 29th, 2026

Motion to adjourn meeting at 8:07pm. Motion made by Eric, seconded by Tammi. All in favor, motion passed