

WASHINGTON COUNTY ABATE CHAPTER MEETING MINUTES

DATE: 01/09/2012

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER: 7:30 p.m.

ATTENDEES: 35

GUESTS: None

MOMENT OF SILENCE

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Mike Darnielle

MISSION STATEMENT: Ted Tracy

READING OF THE MINUTES:

M/S: Linda Henderson/Kay Sipple: To approve minutes as written. 17 in favor, 6 opposed. Motion carries. Copies are on the table.

CORRESPONDENCE: PO Box rental invoice; Boys and Girls Club solicitation for donations.

COORDINATOR'S COMMENTS:

ROGER YARNELL

We have some business to attend to tonight. It's time to designate a charity for 2012 as the recipient of our pass the hat funds. Last year we designated Lacey's House for all but the last 2 meetings, which went to the employees at PrimeTime. Motion forms will be available at the head table. There is an event list on your tables for 2012. We'll have more info as the events get closer. Thanks to the officers for all their hard work last year. Presentation of appreciation certificates. Looking forward to a great year.

OFFICER REPORTS:

VICE COORDINATOR:

RICH VIRCHOW

Update on PrimeTime on Facebook today. They are actually building in the lot next door to their old site. They will have 7,600 sf of room (vs. 6,000 in the old place), with more parking, patio seating, and the meeting room will hold up to 85 people.

TREASURER:

CONNIE CECCACCI

Deposits: \$1,080 EOS security deposit; \$40 products income.

Expenses: \$ 25 to OR ABATE for sanctioning Biker Night at the Vine.

Balance: Beginning Balance = \$4,355.03 Ending Balance \$4,355.03

In balancing the checking account, there was a discrepancy between our bank balance and checkbook balance in our favor. Our actual Ending Balance is \$5,595.32.

Turning the treasury over to Jill this week and will bring all files to the meeting on January 16. Jill will coordinate an appointment at Bank of America to have the new signature card signed. In accordance with the Financial Policies and Procedures, the signers for 2012 will be:

Roger Yarnell – Chapter Coordinator
Jill Tracy Chapter Treasurer

Rich Virchow – Chapter Vice Coordinator
Kay Sipple – State Treasurer

LEGISLATIVE DIRECTOR:**STEVE COFFMAN**

There were 11 items introduced in the legislature last year regarding biker issues. There is a list of actions and results up at the head table for detailed information. Some of the bills are: SB 463; SB 133; SB 162; HB 2797; HB 2792; HB 2232; SB 591; HB 3141. See Steve's Facebook page for information as well. This is an election year. BikePac and Steve will both be reporting on candidates who claim to be pro-biker rights.

STATE BOARD REP:**PAUL HERING**

There is a state board meeting this coming Saturday. Paul will have a report at the next meeting.

PUBLIC RELATIONS:**GREG VAUGHN**

The Biker Night flyers will be here at the next meeting. The flyer is in the newsmagazine this month and will be on Facebook in advance. Allan asked if flyers could be delivered to Paul to take to the state board meeting this Saturday. Greg will work on that.

MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY:**STEPHANIE BARNES**

Current members = 205

Membership drawing: \$ 62.50

5 members expired this month: Bill Davis and the Hattig family. Buy tickets at break.

EDUCATION DIRECTOR:**TED TRACY**

ATGATT = All the gear, all the time. You need to keep your skin covered. Easy to do in the winter when we want to stay warm. But just as importing in the summer. Look into the mesh protective gear, or whatever it takes to stay protected while you're staying cool. Also, helmets are required in Oregon. If we have to wear them anyway, why not wear something that will actually protect your head if you go down? Research the Kevlar helmets like Rich and Ted have. They're half shell, but still very protective.

NEWSLETTER EDITOR:**TAYLEN CECCACCI**

Absent. No report.

WEBPAGE EDITOR:**ROBERT BEADLE**

No report.

QUARTERMASTER:**GORDON SAHNOW**

There will be a work party at Sahnov's on January 28 at 9:00 a.m. The project is to turn the Ugly Trailer into a flatbed trailer for advertising. The agenda for this work party date will be tear down and inventory parts. Gordon feels we can re-use much of what we take apart.

HISTORIAN:**MIKE DARNEILLE**

Mike brought a book from 1997-1998. He has at least 7 big boxes of information and realizes it is not ideal to have them just sit at home. Has thought about how to digitize, but it would take more man hours than anyone has to scan the photos and info. Suggestions were made to take a sampling from each year and scan those to post on our chapter website and our chapter Facebook page. Ted

expressed appreciation for having a book at the meetings and wondered if Mike would rotate and bring one book once/month for a while to let us review. Mike agreed.

CHAPTER PRODUCTS:

DAVE MEEKER

Chapter product sales have decreased each year in recent years. Dave orders less product and has more over-stock. Inventory reduction sale tonight – all t-shirts \$5 until they are gone. Sales are down this year, but was able to deposit \$40 from product sales.

WAYS & MEANS:

TINA VAUGHN

Balance = \$1,244.00

Tina is mentoring Yvonne this year to take over next year. Please be kind and supportive of her efforts. There will be a basket party in the next 6 or 7 weeks, so please gather items for baskets or balloon pop prizes.

Buy tickets at break.

RUN COORDINATOR:

ED VAUGHN

March 31 is Biker Night at the Vine. There is no cover charge. Invite as many friends as you can. Remember the Build-A-Basket challenge. The basket voted most creative will win one EOS entry. The basket bringing the highest price will win 2 EOS tickets. We will have a date by the next meeting for the basket party.

Next run committee meeting is January 16th, 7:30, here at the Grape Vine. Hopefully all officers will attend, as well as anyone interested in helping with our events. Look forward to a fun and hopefully profitable year.

RUN COORDINATOR II:

GORDON SAHNOW

Look forward to a good year.

<10 minute break>

OLD BUSINESS:

Really OLD business! Happy 50th Birthday this month to Yvonne Sahnaw, Linda Henderson, and Roger Yarnell. See flyers on your tables and join us for a party on January 14 here at the Grape Vine.

NEW BUSINESS:

Motion Made/Seconded by Ted Tracy/Jill Tracy: That we leave the charity for 2012 as is, Lacey's House. Vote: 19 in favor, 0 against. Motion carries.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Wheels: Randy Phipps is in the hospital. Need someone to take over vendor coordination for the Swap Meet on April 29. Please see Wheels. Allan also will bring it up at the state board meeting.
Allan Nichols: Black Wednesday is February 1 at the Capitol. The meeting room #50 will be open at 9:00 a.m. to meet with your reps before the big gathering. Bonamici vs. Cornilles for Wu's position. Also STEAM is February 25. We have a good year planned.

Linda Henderson: Spoke with Deb Skaggs recently. She and Rick are working full time jobs, but still actively selling real estate and would love to have your business.

Howie Long: Fossil flyers are here. Gene has 9 RV spots designated. Believe it will be some sort of lottery draw, but you have to contact Gene Mortimer to make arrangements. Thanks to WaCo for all the help and support at Fossil.

Jill Tracy: \$32 collected for Lacey's House tonight.

NEXT MEETING DATE/TIME: Monday, January 23, 2012 at 7:30 p.m. Grape Vine Restaurant, 11525 SW Barnes Rd.

50/50 DRAWING: \$17.50 Bill Michels won

MEMBERSHIP DRAWING: \$ 62.50 Rick Shipley was not present to win

MEETING ADJOURNED: 8:46 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Margo L. Virchow

Washington County ABATE Recording Secretary