

# East Coast Riders Meeting Minutes

April 1, 2016

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## 2016 Officers:

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Treasurer – Shelli Failing  
Road Captains – Ron Hinkel, Tom Law, and Jay Tamez  
Chaplain – David Secor

Vice-President – Rick Rosa  
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Meeting called to order at approximately 7:05 pm by President Marc Martino  
Pledge of Allegiance conducted by President Marc Martino  
Roll Call was completed by President Marc Martino

**Attendees:** Bob Arsenault, Michelle Arsenault, Al Austin, Bob Balint, John Boice, Corey Bowen, Jeff Bryant, Jen Carchidi, Bill Carchidi, Terra Cohn, Carl Decker, Tony Deiso, Joe Downey, Rocky Failing, Shelli Failing, Gene Gaylord, William Haberland, Paul Harpis, Ron Hinkel, Betty Holt, Butch Hughes, Tom Hunt, Troy Kay, Brian Kelley, Chris Kelley, Tom Law, Nathan Martin, Louis Martino, Marc Martino, Matt Metzler, Pat Metzler, Brian Nehmans, Roddy Neisen, Gregg Pottenburgh, Dave Reinckin, Bill Rohrer, Rick Rosa, Joyce Schneider, Ron Schneider, Carlo Scott, Tom Seamon, Dave Secor, Jim Sharpe, Jay Tamez, George Taylor and Charles Webster.

46 of 64 Members Present

## **Minutes:**

A reading of the March meeting minutes was completed by Secretary Betty Holt. A motion was made to accept the minutes as read by Chris Kelley, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Troy Kay and accepted by members.

## **Treasury Report:**

### **Savings Account**

• Begin:	\$ 35,967.50
• ECR In:	\$ 540.00
• Hospice In:	\$ -
• Club House In:	\$ 98.00
• 50/50 In:	\$ 78.00
• ECR Out:	\$ 380.71
• Raffle Fund out	\$ 20,504.60
• Savings Acct. Total:	\$ 14,969.43
• Cash:	\$ 0.00
• Checking:	\$ 1,383.64
• Total:	\$ 16,353.07

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After the reading of the Treasurer's Report by Treasurer Shelli Failing a motion was made to accept the minutes by Ron Hinkel, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jeff Bryant and accepted by members.

## Committee Reports

- Land Committee Report- spring cleanup at the property, dates April 16/17 with rain dates of April 23/24, members should bring tools and supplies. People will be there from 8am-4pm. If you cannot make it food or drinks would be appreciated for those working. Boys Scouts are doing a spaghetti dinner on April 16<sup>th</sup>. If you want to buy a ticket see Joyce who has offered to deliver the food.
- T-Shirt Committee – Joyce is checking on ECR shirt supplies and Hospice shirt orders. More details will be forthcoming.
- Trailer Committee - insurance cards are in hand, trailer has been cleaned out, organized, greased and had minor storage problems fixed.
- Bike Committee – the 2016 Street Glide in vivid black was purchased at Ronnie's for \$19,613.00 paid in full. Bike is scheduled for pick up on April 16th
- 501c3 Committee- Betty received an email from Rose McKenna that the IRS offered us a 501c4 classification. After some discussion members want to continue to work for 501c3 status to obtain the tax exemption classification the club needs to move forward. Betty will contact lawyer.
- Website- events have been posted up to the Chaplin Run
- Board of Directors- Jake reminded the officers that the bike purchase should have been approved by the Board of Directors- So noted by the President
- By-Laws- A hand out was provided of the Patch Policy with changes members voted on in March. Members discussed and did not want any further changes in how the policy was written.
- Event Committee- Pat Metzler reported \$420.00 was raised at the beast feast. Beast feast was fun with great food. Members are anticipating a yearly event. A motion was made by Betty Holt, to pay the Stuyvesant Firehouse \$150.00 for use of the building.

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Steve from the fire company called Pat and said the place sparkled after we finished the beast feast. Motion was 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jeff Bryant, so carried. Tag Sale scheduled for May 14<sup>th</sup>, anyone that wants to work on the committee should contact Betty or Pat. Safety issues entering and exiting the property were discussed as well as rain and parking concerns. More details to follow.

- Safety Committee—motorcycle road signs will be available. NYS was going to cut off the Road sign program but has decided to continue it because they received a grant. MSF has different advanced courses available. The advanced course can be done just for ECR members and the instructor would come to us if 12 or more riders, cost would be \$100.00 per person. Less people would be a max of \$140.00 each, cost for 6 people would probably be \$110.00 but you would need to travel to their class. Other online courses are also available.

**Old Business** – President Martino tabled a discussion about creating a monthly membership fee to help pay for the property or for a future Club House. Miracle League ride will probably stop at Uncle Marty's first instead of Lakeview. More information to follow from Tara and Roddy.

President Martino reminded members again that we need to be collecting Hogs for Hospice raffle prizes. Joyce will be handling all Hospice donations, please give all collected items to her.

**New Business** – Steve is getting posters and small postcard handouts for us. Steve Manny wants to have a meeting with all ECR volunteers next week. People that volunteered for the committee were; Betty Holt, Tom Seamon and Joyce Schneider. Reminder that a fund raiser for Connor (for burial expenses) would be on Sunday at the Niverville Pub at 2:30pm.

Will Ferguson lost a brother, Al Austin will send a card to the family.

**New Business** (cont.) Jay asked for a show of hands for those interested in going to the Hog Rally at Alexandria Bay- signup sheet will go around.

Hospice walk is coming up, we need more walkers and more donations. We are currently in first place. Website for donations is [walk4hospice.org](http://walk4hospice.org)

Betty is doing a patch order if you want to order please fill out the order form being passed around.

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All raffle tickets and money turned in at meetings this year should be placed in a white envelope provided by Pat Metzler, sealed and signed with your name. This is less confusing and can then be recorded after the meeting.

## New Members/Prospects:

Members had no opposition to accepting Michelle Arsenault into the club – she received her bottom rockers.

Members voted not to accept Tony Deiso as a member of the club, he needed 2/3 of votes from full members in attendance at the meeting- votes were, No- 17, Yes- 14, Abstained- 3

President stated that the BOD's need to decide what happens after a prospect is voted down. Does the prospect continue for more time as a prospective member or are they out of the club completely.

50/50 Drawing: was not done

The meeting was adjourned by President Mark Martino at \_8:10\_pm.

## Upcoming Events:

Items in bold are ECR Events

- Connor burial expenses fund raiser - Sunday April 3<sup>rd</sup> at 2:30pm
- Motorcycle mayhem is next week
- Red Knights ride at the Firemens Home May 15<sup>th</sup>
- **Miracle League date May 21, 2016**
- Abate Ride May 23<sup>rd</sup> at the Plaza Diner