

WASHINGTON COUNTY ABATE CHAPTER MEETING MINUTES

DATE: 01/26/15

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

ATTENDEES: 16

GUESTS: 2 New Members - Mike Obrist and Matt

MOMENT OF SILENCE

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Mike Darnielle

MISSION STATEMENT: Ted Tracy

READING OF THE MINUTES: Motion made by Paul Hering to waive the reading of the minutes and accept them as they are printed. Ted Tracy seconded. 8 for, 1 against; motion carries.

CORRESPONDENCE: PO Box Renewal notice, BikePac Renewal, Hillsboro Domestic Violence Shelter solicitation for donations, junk mail & a misguided postcard.

COORDINATOR'S COMMENTS: **Bill Michels**

Welcome everyone. I want to remind everyone that the Oregon legislative session starts on February 2nd. There are 4 major bills being worked right now that are of interest to us. Reach out to your legislators and representatives and be heard. One of those bills is the 'Dead Red' bill. If you know of an intersection that does not trigger the traffic lights for your motorcycle let Paula Leslie (BikePAC of Oregon coordinator) know. Let's all take part in filling this room for the meetings, invite folks to come out. There are several open positions both at the chapter and state levels. Please consider filling one of these positions if you can.

OFFICER REPORTS:

VICE COORDINATOR:

Steve Coffman

Absent.

TREASURER:

Jill Tracy

Deposits: None since last meeting

Expenses: \$92 to ABATE of Oregon for our Fall Biker Night, \$86 to DMV for Trailer registration, \$42 for PO Box rental for 2015, \$83.76 for 2 years of web hosting

Balance: \$5,220.89

Jill is ill so Ted Tracy is giving the report in her place. Lynn Reilly, Bill Michels and Jill Tracy will all be signers on the account. Going to the bank on Saturday to complete signature cards.

LEGISLATIVE DIRECTOR:

VACANT

No Report.

STATE BOARD REP:

Lynn Reilly

Its the 40th Anniversary of ABATE of Oregon. Paul Hering, State Coordinator, asked for us all to remember that ABATE is a brotherhood and he would like to see more focus on us coming together

and working together rather than wasting energy fighting amongst ourselves. State news magazine editor, Rot Path, wants to remind all the chapters that their reports to the state news magazine are due by the 10th of each month for the next month's issue. Under new business, there was a motion made and unanimously passed to donate \$300 to a fundraiser for Laura Stewart. Between this contribution from ABATE and other fund raising efforts, there was \$2,000 raised for Laura. A second motion was passed for creating small ABATE stickers for placement on helmets or motorcycle windshields. A third motion was passed to gift a lifetime ABATE of Oregon membership to Rot Path for his absorption of some hefty phone bills associated with his role as News Magazine Editor. Cherry Blossom Run is April 25th, Lower Columbia chapter's Crab Feed is February 21st in Clatskanie, OR and the State Swap Meet will be held at the Hillsboro Elks Lodge, April 18th.

PUBLIC RELATIONS:

Veta/Lynn/Kristen

The ladies will be working on a new Facebook page to better serve our mission statement. The current page doesn't allow the reach they would like to see. Will also be working on a newsletter to further our reach.

MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY:

Veta Holscher

Members 217+

Drawing \$ 50.00

Looking into purchasing local mailing lists for drawing in more members from our community. At \$0.20 a name, we are looking at purchasing a list of 200 names that have motorcycle registrations from our local community. Depending on pool size will determine what factors we include in our demographic, ie: Age, Income, distance from meeting. Also creating a list of WaCo members that haven't received their state news magazine in the mail nor their membership cards.

EDUCATION DIRECTOR:

VACANT

No Report.

NEWSLETTER EDITOR:

VACANT

No Report.

WEBPAGE EDITOR:

Greg Vaughn

The new site is up as of today. There are lots of new features in the works. Looking to build out a comprehensive forum with user registrations. Also, have included a calendar of events. Have all the files of the previous site and will fold those into the new site where possible. Please check it out and give feedback where you can.

****10 min Break****

QUARTERMASTER:

Paul Hering

No Report.

HISTORIAN:

Tom Kippert

No report.

CHAPTER PRODUCTS:

Dave Meeker

Absent.

WAYS & MEANS:

Veta Holscher

Balance \$ Not reported

Veta handed out door prize tickets to all in attendance.

RUN COORDINATOR:

Tom Kippert

Spring Biker Night is coming April 25th, 7pm. Discussion on venue was had. Coyote's Vs. PrimeTime. A show of hands voted on PrimeTime as the venue. Based on loyalty to PrimeTime for all they have done to us and the ability to expand on what we have done in years past for our biker night's there. Listed off the dates of the years chapter events. Spring Biker Night - 4/25, Roll'n Ride - 6/20, Scavenger Hunt - 7/18, End of Summer Run - 8/29, Fall Biker Night - 10/10, Toy Run 11/21. Ted Tracy then announced, as last year's Run Coordinator, he will be presenting two framed certificates of appreciation. One to City of Hillsboro Police and the other to the Alky Angels for their great contributions to our 2014 Toy Run.

RUN COORDINATOR II:

VACANT

Mike Obrist has expressed interest and will be talking to Tom Kippert to learn more.

OLD BUSINESS:

None.

NEW BUSINESS:

None.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Ted Tracy: Fossil Flyers are coming soon. He's really hoping WaCo Chapter wins largest chapter.

Paul Hering: Reminder that February 2nd is the start of the legislative session. 4 Major bills will be presented: Dead Red, Helmet Bill, Lane Sharing & Alternative Fuels.

Greg Vaughn: Link on the WaCoABATE.info site for finding out who your legislatures are.

Bill Michels: State News Magazine has articles on all 4 of these, read them.

NEXT MEETING DATE/TIME: Run Committee February 9, 2015; General February 23rd; both at 7:30 p.m.

50/50 DRAWING: Not Held. Door Prize winners: Lynn, Aaron, Greg, Bill, Kristen, Ted, Denise

MEMBERSHIP DRAWING: \$50 Marty Brown, not present to win; prize carries.

MEETING ADJOURNED: 8:46pm

Respectfully submitted,

Greg Vaughn

Washington County ABATE Recording Secretary