

**Fire and Iron
M.C. Station 141
Meeting Minutes**



January 16, 2018 – The Watering Hole Green Bay, WI.

I. **Call to order by:** Station 141 President Slushie

II. **Attendance:** Ozzy, Deb Hoida, Mouth, Timmy, Torch, Jim Kazik, Pickers, John Lawer Jr., Whitey too, Slushie, Tom Diedrick.

III. **President's Report:**

1. Slushie began the meeting by introducing Scott, as a potential member. Scott talked a bit about himself. He is from Sturgeon Bay, has been on our Ride To Remember, and has spent several years in the fire service.
2. Slushie also emphasized that riding season is right around the corner, and we have a lot of work to do to prepare for the season. We are a great bunch of members in a great club, lets make the best of it.

IV. **Vice President's Report:**

1. John talked about a Facebook page, that John Gobec from station 27 set up called “Captains Page”, which is a page on the national Facebook page about Fire & Iron rides and events, including dates, stations, and cities.

V. **Secretary's Report:**

1. Tom presented a copy of a form created to help document duplicate colors, however a few minor tweaks are needed before it can be implemented.

VI. **Approval of minutes from last meeting**

Motion to accept by: Jim Kazik 2nd by: Torch motion carried.

VII. **Treasurer's report:**

Ride start balance - \$ 17,238.60 Ride end balance - \$ 17,560.96

club start balance - \$ 7,681.73 Club end balance - \$ 7,220.89

50/50 Christmas club balance - \$ 0

Motion to accept by: Pickers 2nd by Torch Motion carried.

VIII. Sergeant at Arms report:

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IX. Upcoming Rides and events

1. Sometime in May – Bon fire at the Ozzy Doersch Ranch
2. 6/22-24/2018 – National Rally West Virginia
3. 6/22-24/2018- Camping excursion to High Cliff with station 96???
4. 2019 National Rally Sturgis, SD

X. 50/50 Raffle: Pickers

XI. Ride to Remember update:

1. John said he talked to Ben from the Watering Hole. Ben said he was misinformed about the \$350.00 he owed for the band and he will make good on the discrepancy. Ben also said he supports whatever decision we make on our venue choice for this years ride.
2. Due to frustration with the lack of cooperation with Brown Co. and the City of Howard, Timmy is looking at setting up a ride that leaves Kaukauna Fire Dept. and ends back in Kaukauna at Maloney's. Timmy agreed to move on this notion so the club can commit by next month.
3. Willie has been having a tough time with a donation from Tyco. The members feel that perhaps it's time to cut our losses with them and move on.
4. John asked for information on sponsors from the members, as he will begin securing sponsors in February.
5. A discussion ensued about the bucket raffle, and since it isn't making any money perhaps it should be eliminated, or maybe try something different. Bands were also discussed. Unless the venue agrees to cover the cost of the band, we would likely eliminate that as well, and possibly replace the band with a DJ. T-shirt sales were also discussed. Inventory and pricing is a concern, Deb Hoida had an idea of offering the T-shirts at a reduced cost for canned food items, opening another donation opportunity. Torch 'the clever guy he is' quickly coined the phrase "show your cans, get a shirt". No final decisions were made on any of these topics, however we need to act soon.
6. John Lawer Jr. agreed to take over as ride committee chair, and asked for help from all the Fire & Iron members.

XII. Old Business:

1. Slushie went over the options for nominees for national officers. Slushie said politicizing will begin soon, so members should thoughtfully consider their options and let their thoughts be known, since voting will take place at the national rally.
2. There will be a vote on by law changes at the February meeting. Slushie and John wrote a proposal for these changes, which can be seen in the second attachment in this email

XIII. New Business:

1. Slushie asked for thoughts and prayers for Mitch 'President of station 17' whose mom is sick with cancer. Also Bill Budash 'Secretary of station 17' who's brother recently passed away.
2. A Fire Dept. Chief in Chicago has a son who is also sick. I apologize for the lack of details, but

John asked for Fire Dept. items to send to him such as FD patches, T-shirts etc. these items can be sent to John Lawer Jr., 610 W Conservancy Ct., Green Bay, WI. 54311, by February 1.

3. Slushie expressed his concern about some members lack of attendance to meetings and events, and said if something comes up to let him know. Family and work can take us away from the things we enjoy, and that's understandable. Just remember if the patch is on your back, keep it in your heart as well.

4. A reminder from John that the bill for the PO box and the storage facility is due in January.

5. Slushie asked for confirmation about hotel room coverage from the club for the President's meeting.

6. John passed out the clothing items for those who ordered. He still needs more orders for the "women's" design, which by the way, men can where too. It's just a different design without the skull. Contact John for ordering information.

7. Pickers presented the club with the ceiling tile for Hero's Bar in Hortonville, WI. The tile was bought by the club over a year ago to be painted with the station logo and displayed at the bar, however, the bar owners painter left and never painted the tile. Pickers got the money back, and his wife Nicole painted the tile. She did an amazing job. Pickers will now bring the tile back to Hero's bar to be displayed. Mouth made a motion to give the money Pickers got back, to Nicole. 2nd by Whitey Too, motion carried.

XIII **50/50 Raffle winner:** Nicole Olson

Amount: \$14.00

Next meeting location:

Wouters Front, 3171 School Ln., Suamico, 54313, February 20, 2018

XIV. **Adjournment:**

1st by Papa Smurf. 2nd by Whitey Too. motion carried.

XV. Keep 'em upright brothers & sisters. Respectfully submitted by Tom Diedrick. Secretary, Fire & Iron MC Station 141.