

# Rolling Thunder® , Inc. Illinois Chapter 1

## Membership Meeting Minutes

### January 02, 2019

Rolling Thunder® Inc. Illinois Chapter 1 Membership Meeting was called to order by President, Jim Murray at 1940 hours on January 02, 2019 at the Warrenville VFW.

**Board Attendance:**

Attended	Name	Position
Yes	Jim Murray (Snipe)	President
Yes	Gary Vandebos (Names)	Vice-President
Yes	Rick Herr (Cosmo)	Treasurer
Yes	Wendy Vach (Dragonfly)	Recording Secretary
Yes	Richard Montgomery (Popeye)	Chairman of the Board
Yes	Bill Houghtaling (B.B.)	Board Member
Yes	Al Miller (Shadow)	Board Member
No	Kandice Jacobs (PG)	Board Member
Yes	Knute Weick	Board Member
Yes	Tim Kearney	Board Member
Yes	Dan Thomas (Cage)	Board Member

The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance led by President, Jim Murray. A moment of silence was observed for the Illinois MIA's lost during the month of January during the Viet Nam War.

**Jim “Snipe” Murray:**

- There were two guests present at the meeting tonight, Steven and Jeffrey. Welcome to Chapter 1.
- Snipe informed the members that the board discussed the upcoming year’s budget and for last year, 97% of all funds raised went to the POW/MIA mission or our chapter’s VAP program.
- There are two major fundraisers we hold each year: BTR and the Gun Bash. This year both will be held at Fox River Harley Davidson. The Gun Bash is May 11<sup>th</sup> and BTR will be held on August 25<sup>th</sup>.
- Tickets for the Gun Bash are available for sale and if you haven’t gotten your tickets you can contact: BB, Snipe, Names or Popeye.
- If you haven’t paid your dues, please get your membership money in, it can be turned in at the February meeting, because the portion that goes to National will be sent in right after the February meeting.

**Richard “Popeye” Montgomery:**

- Our chapter will be selling raffle tickets for Gun Bash again at the Pheasant Run Swap Meet on Feb 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup>. If you weren’t at this meeting, contact Popeye if you can work a time slot.

**Al “Shadow” Miller:**

- Shadow asked that the membership vote to allocate \$5,000.00 to the VAP and the vote was unanimous in favor.
- There are three memorials being worked on: Carol Stream, Darien and Genoa. More details on dates and times will be forthcoming as plans are confirmed.

**Tim Kearney:**

- Tim informed the meeting that Land Home Financial will donate \$150.00 to our chapter when a loan is closed, and the customer chooses Rolling Thunder as the recipient. If you know of anyone refinancing or that needs a loan, suggest they contact Land Home Financial and choose Rolling Thunder as their choice. For more info contact Tim.
- The POW/MIA chair talks continue with Tim, Fox River Harley Davidson and Dominic. Dominic will order the chair. Date and time for dedication to be announced at a later date.

**Gary “Names” Vandebos:**

- The Sandwich American Legion Riders will be holding their bowling event on January 26<sup>th</sup>, at 927 Railroad St, in Sandwich. There will be two times to bowl that day, 4pm or 7pm. Funds raised will be donated to our chapter, so we ask that if you can get a team together, or get together with other members to form a team, show up to support the riders and our chapter. If your not a bowler, show up, donate \$20.00 and drink with those of us who don't bowl.

**Open Discussion:**

The Rolling Thunder Ride to Washington D.C. Memorial Day weekend will be the last ride put on by National. There are two groups that will be doing the ride, and Chapter 2 has made the offer for any rider that would like to join them. If you are interested in doing the ride, contact Snipe and he will tell you the groups going and how to contact them.

**Upcoming Rides and Events:**

February 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> – Swap Meet at Pheasant Run

May 5<sup>th</sup> – Gun Bash

Memorial Day Weekend – D.C. Ride

August 25<sup>th</sup> – BTR

Meeting was adjourned at 1920 hours.

Respectfully submitted by,

Wendy Vach, Recording Secretary

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