

# Rolling Thunder<sup>®</sup>, Inc. Illinois Chapter 1

## Membership Meeting Minutes

### February 09, 2022

Rolling Thunder<sup>®</sup> Inc. Illinois Chapter 1 Membership Meeting was called to order by President, Gary Vandembos at 1941 hours on December 01, 2021, at Warrenville VFW.

**Board Attendance:**

Attended	Name	Position
Yes	Gary Vandembos (Names)	President
Yes	Al Miller (Shadow)	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
No	Kandice Jacobs (PG)	Board Member
Yes	Knute Weick	Board Member
Yes	Don Gaylord (Stone Cold)	Board Member

The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance led by President, Gary Vandembos. A moment of silence was Observed for the Illinois MIA's lost during the month of December from the Viet Nam and, Korean Wars.

**Gary "Names" Vandembos:**

- Names informed the chapter that Joe has stepped down from the board. Greg Messler was appointed to take Joe's place in a unanimous vote by the board.
- Gun Bash tickets are printed and ready to be handed out to members to sell.
- Sherry, Spitfire, Messler has taken over Facebook as the administrator and will add Wendy as administrator so there are two.

**Don "Stone Cold" Gaylord:**

- Stone Cold attended a recent Posse meeting, which is different groups that plan rides throughout the riding season. All rides that he is aware of will be put on our chapter website calendar. He also mentioned that our chapter is looking for a road captain to organize rides.
- On 3/6 is the Save a Joe bowling event in St. Charles at St Charles Bowl at 2520 W Main St, that our chapter was invited to attend. There are two time slots, 11 am and 2 pm. If you buy a ticket to bowl prior to 2/23 you get a free Save A Joe T Shirt. Check out the chapter calendar for more information.
- 5/29 is the Rolling Thunder POW/MIA Parade that many members attended last year. This ride is organized by Chapter 2 and information on the ride is on the chapter calendar.

**Rick "Popeye" Montgomery:**

- Every year we give the Warrenville a donation of \$1,000.00 as a thank you for allowing us to use their facilities or our events. This year the motion was made to give the \$1,500.00 and a vote was taken and approved by members present.
- Popeye has National Motorcycle tickets which cost \$10.00 each.
- Members in attendance were given In Memory patches for Hardcore and Gravel. If you would like a patch, see Popeye at the next chapter meeting.

- The nominated songs were played for members so a vote could be taken at the next meeting for the song that would be played during the table ceremony. A suggestion was made that the songs be rotated instead of picking one song. A vote will be taken at the March Membership meeting.

**Rick “Cosmo” Herr:**

- Cosmo gave the budget report.

**Al “Shadow” Miller:**

- Shadow is submitting the grant application to the state for \$25,000.00.

**Knute Weick:**

- After a discussion by the board, a decision was made not to pursue a billboard at this time on the issue of Frefrichs so is being held hostage in Afghanistan.
- The bowling event in Sandwich was a success with many of our members showing up to bowl or support the fundraiser.

Meeting was adjourned at 2020 hours.

Respectfully submitted by,

Wendy Vach, Recording Secretary