

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

## Membership Meeting Minutes

### May 3, 2023

Updated Version

Attended	Name	Position
Yes	Gary Vandebos (Names)	President
Yes	Al Miller (Shadow)	Vice-President
Yes	Rick Herr (Cosmo)	Treasurer
Yes	Jim Murray (Snipe)	Secretary
Yes	Richard Montgomery (Popeye)	Chairman of the Board
Yes	Kandice Jacobs (PG)	Director
Yes	Knute Weick (Knute)	Director
Yes	Don Gaylord (Stone Cold)	Director
Yes	Greg Messler (Rooster)	Director
Yes	Wendy Vach (Dragonfly)	Director

The meeting was called to order at 1950. President Vandebos began with the Pledge of Allegiance. A moment of silence was observed for the Illinois MIAs lost during the month of May from the Viet Nam and Korean Wars. Chappy gave an opening prayer.

## Reports from the Board

President Gary “Names” Vandebos mentioned that the Warrenville VFW was asking if anyone would like to help set up their flags on Wednesday morning the 24<sup>th</sup> of May, they will be getting started around 0800. The committee representing CVMA and our chapters Poker Run in August has adopted the name of the “Pig Gig”. The responsibilities that are assigned to us are managing the poker hands and at least one of the stops. We would also help out with parking but one of the CMVA chapters will be responsible. President Names also presented Sherry and Greg Messler with their chapter patches.

Vice-President Al “Shadow” Miller will lead the run up to Lovell Federal Health Center for the start of the Memorial Day Demonstration Ride. The chapter will meet up at the Dunkin Donuts at Rt64 and Rt59 on Sunday the 28<sup>th</sup>. KSU at 0700. A flyer for the run can be found on our chapter’s website calendar. Also a date of 9/15 (POW/MIA Day) was set for the monument presentation at our VFW.

Treasurer Rick “Cosmo” Herr presented our account balance for the beginning of May. Contact Cos if you need more info. Also we have less than 77 tickets available to the GunBash. Please reconcile with Cos at the June meeting.

Director Knute “Knute” Weick presented Manny Lopez with a chapter medal.

Director Kandice “PG” Jacobs will be presenting final ride information for the Kankakee Missing Man dedication and Remembrance Table Ceremony. As you know this is a chapter event. It is requested that all members wear their white

POW/MIA shirts and dark pants/jeans with dark shoes. It is requested that everyone be prepared to be in the table ceremony in case we have some folks that cannot make it.

**D**irector Don “Stone Cold” Gaylord passed along that the Craig and Dan Price memorial ride will take place on Saturday, June 24<sup>th</sup>. All the money collected from this ride will be donated to our chapter. As a result this will be a Chapter Event and all members are expected. The ride will be from the Iron Gate community in Naperville to Starved Rock – lunch – return to Iron Gate. More details to follow.

**C**haplain Philip “Chappy” Ferrer reminded everyone present that there will be a Memorial vigil at Ft. Sheridan National Cemetery, Vattman Road, Lake Bluff, IL.

## Reports from the Floor

**M**ember Dennis “LT” Reiter directed several practices of our Remembrance Table. This presentation of the table ceremony will be at the Kankakee event and we are working hard to well represent our Chapter.

**S**ecretary Jim “Snipe” Murray is asking all members to pay attention to the chapter calendar. Our summer calendar is filling up fast.

Jim “Snipe” Murray – Secretary

*“Don't just join, Be involved.”*