# Rolling Thunder<sup>®</sup>, Inc. Illinois Chapter One General Membership Meeting Minutes December 3, 2014

Rolling Thunder® Inc. Illinois Chapter 1 Meeting of December 3, 2014 was called to order by President Bill "Hawk" Sharpness at 19:30 at the VFW in Warrenville, IL. The membership pledged allegiance to the American Flag. The mission Statement was read by Dominic "Hardcore" Ruggerio and a moment of silence was observed for the 77 sailors on the USS Evans whose names were not on the wall due to their deaths occurred outside the combat area.

#### **Board Attendance:**

Attending	Name	Position
Yes	Bill Sharpness (Hawk)	President
Yes	Dominic Ruggerio (Hard Core)	Vice-President
Yes	Jim Murray (Snipe)	Treasurer
Yes	Alen Zdralic (ghost)	Secretary
Yes	Richard Montgomery (Popeye)	Chairman of the Board
Yes	Kristina Sedlacek (Kriss)	Board Member
Excused	Knute Weick	Board Member
Yes	Gary Vandenbos (Names)	Activities Chairperson
Yes	Bill Atkinson (Fall Out)	Board Member
Yes	Kandice Jacobs	Assistant Secretary/Membership
No	John Mikuski (Raffles)	Board Member
No	Howard "Weebles" Bushnell	Assist. Secretary/Communications
Yes	Bill Houghtaling (B.B.)	Board Member
Yes	Dan Thomas (Cage)	Board Member
Yes	Don Pugh (Spoiled)	Board Member
No	Gary Stengler	Assistant Treasurer
Yes	Tom Woosley	Assistant Secretary

#### Hawk

- Call for guests
  - Welcomed Midwest Shelter guests
- Thanked chapter for support in loss of his sister

## Snipe

- Roll call
- Financials
- Membership dues are due
- Distributed gift cards to Midwest Shelter guests

#### Hawk

Thanked Snipe for work throughout the year

# Popeye

- St. Charles swap meet
- Notice of Tom Woosley's road name dropped

#### Hardcore

- Recognized Candice for raising funds for POW/MIA
  - Presented her with a plaque with appreciation from the chapter

#### Hawk

Discussed moving Big Thunder Run

## Kriss

- Big Thunder Run location requirements
  - 800 bike capacity
  - September 13, 2015
- Options for BTR site
  - Montgomery VFW
    - Sufficient space inside and out
  - Browns
    - Insufficient room inside
  - Batavia
    - **\$1,500**
  - Auburn
    - Date not available
  - Lions Club
    - Date not available

## Hawk

- Discussed the difficulties of selecting a BTR location with the time constraints of printing raffle tickets prior to Pheasant Run Event in St. Charles in January
  - The membership made a motion to grant the board the authority to choose the site without membership vote.
  - The motion was seconded

#### **Names**

• Concord, Saturday, December 20

 Thanked the chapter for a great year \$6,000 Midwest Shelter
Funded 12 rooms this year
Task Force Omega

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\$1,500 Manteno

\$3,500 van for LaSalle

\$1,000 National Alliance of Families

- Gun Bash
  - 600 tickets/28 guns
- Van for LaSalle
  - Chapter 1 applied for grant
    - 2014 E-150 vans no longer available
    - 2015 van price increased \$8,000
  - Found E-250 van for \$3,000 more than E-150 van

#### Candice

- Motioned to purchase van
  - Cage seconded

#### Names

• Passed out copies of notes from the national conference in Washington DC, November 7-8.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:25pm.

Respectfully submitted, Tom Woosley, for Alen Zdralic, Secretary Rolling Thunder Illinois Chapter 1