

Rolling Thunder® , Inc. Illinois Chapter One

Membership Meeting Minutes

March 4, 2015

Rolling Thunder® Inc. Illinois Chapter 1 meeting of March 4, 2015 was called to order by President Bill Sharpness (Hawk) at 1945 hours at the VFW in Warrenville, IL. The membership pledged allegiance to the American Flag, Rolling Thunder’s mission statement was read and a moment of silence was observed for our MIA’s

Board Attendance:

| Attended | Name | Position |
|----------|------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| Yes | Bill Sharpness (Hawk) | President |
| No | Dominic Ruggerio (Hard Core) | Vice-President |
| Yes | Jim Murray (Snipe) | Treasurer |
| No | Alen Zdralic (Ghost) | Secretary |
| Yes | Richard Montgomery (Popeye) | Chairman of the Board |
| No | Kristina Sedlacek (Kriss) | Board Member |
| Yes | Knute Weick | Board Member |
| Yes | Gary Vandebos (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 |
| No | Dan Thomas (Cage) | Board Member |
| Yes | Don Pugh (Spoiled) | Board Member |
| No | Gary Stengler | Assistant Treasurer |
| Yes | Tom Woosley | Interim Secretary |

President - Bill Sharpness (Hawk)

Veterans in Crisis:

- Hawk introduced guest speaker, Anita Carmona, a Licensed Clinical Social Worker from the VA. Anita shared statistics of veteran suicides, signs of veterans in crisis and what we can do to help. Anita left us literature regarding Veterans in Crisis and the Outreach Program.
- Hawk thanked Manny and Names for coordinating with Anita.

Chairman of the Board - Richard Montgomery (Popeye)

Events:

- The chapter has secured a table at Pheasant Run auction on April 4&5, Easter weekend.
- BTR registration fee was missing from flyer. The registration fee will be added to future flyers.

Board Member - Bill Houghtaling (B.B.)

Wreath Laying Ceremony:

- The chapter has been invited to the wreath laying ceremony for Corporal Chester Roper on March 23, 2015, in Evergreen Park. At least 8 members are needed in order for the chapter to participate.

Meeting:

- Names and BB will be attending the Veteran Advisory Council meeting on March 14, 2015.

Treasurer - Jim Murray (Snipe)

Legislation:

- President Obama signed suicide prevention bill - Hunt Law.

Activities Chairperson - Gary Vandenbos (Names)

Big Thunder Run:

- Contact Names with information of possible vendors for BTR.
- We will be visiting Montgomery VFW in April or May to review set-up possibilities.

Visitor:

- Names introduced Illinois Chapter 2 President, David Whiteside.

Meeting was adjourned at 2109 hours.

Respectfully submitted,
Tom Woosley for
Alen Zdralic, Secretary
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