Rolling Thunder®, Inc. Illinois Chapter 1 Membership Meeting Minutes September 05, 2018

Rolling Thunder® Inc. Illinois Chapter 1 Membership Meeting was called to order by President, Jim Murray at 1940 hours on September 05, 2018 at the Warrenville VFW.

Board Attendance:

Attended	Name	Position
Yes	Jim Murray (Snipe)	President
Yes	Gary Vandenbos (Names)	Vice-President
Yes	Rick Herr (Cosmo)	Treasurer
Yes	Wendy Vach (Dragonfly)	Recording Secretary
Yes	Richard Montgomery (Popeye)	Chairman of the Board
No	Bill Houghtaling (B.B.)	Board Member
Yes	Al Miller(Shadow)	Board Member
Yes	Kandice Jacobs (PG)	Board Member
Yes	Knute Weick	Board Member
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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 September during the Viet Nam War.

There was one guest present, Dan Salazar, brought in by Tim Kearney, who joined our chapter. Welcome to our chapter Dan.

Jim "Snipe" Murray:

- Elections were held and the following people were elected to positions:
 - o President Jim "Snipe" Murray
 - o COB Richard "Popeye" Montegomery
 - o Board Al "Shadow" Miller
 - o Board Knute Weick
 - o Board Dan "Cage" Thomas
 - o Board Tim Kearney
 - o Treasurer Rick "Cosmo" Herr
- A boot patch was presented to Ralph. Two new boot patches will be ordered for members whose boot patch has seen better days.
- BTR
 - o Set up on Saturday at 8am at the VFW and the trailer will be emptied and cleaned.
 - Registration forms will be available at the stops for people who want to join the ride from that location.
 - o After stops are done everyone is reminded to come back to help with parking
 - o Food this year will be provided by the VFW.
- Calendar of events. Everyone is reminded to check the calendar on the website for rides coming up on the weekends. (see below for the list)

• /Two people were needed to go to the National Convention in Washington. Chappy and Raffles will be going to represent our Chapter.

Al "Shadow" Miller:

- Shadow gave a run down to members as to who will be at each stop during the BTR and final instructions.
- MIA/POW Memorials
 - The Darien memorial is scheduled for November 11th, further details to be announced.
 - o The Sandwich Memorial plans are underway and the date will be in October.

Open Discussion:

Hardcore discussed the Chair of Honor and three possible sites: College of DuPage Veteran's Affairs Office, Kane County, and Heritage of Lisle. Discussions are ongoing.

A BTR roster was circulated with plans to have a run through immediately following the meeting. LT gave a chapter a check that was reimbursement for a vet helped through the VAP program. He wanted to repay us for helping him.

Cosmo gave the finance report

Snipe asked if there was anyone that wanted to take on the Community Street Name Project. This is to honor POW/MIA's in their hometown by naming a street after them. No one stepped forward.

Upcoming Rides and Events:

9/22/18 Smiles for Veterans Charity

Veterans Fest

9/29/18 7th Annual Dekalb County Toy Run

10/03/18 Monthly Meeting

10/06/18 Journey Care is holding a Vietnam Era event

For more information go to our event calendar - https://goo.gl/DA8GcZ

Meeting was adjourned at 2030 hours. Respectfully submitted by, Wendy Vach, Recording Secretary Rolling Thunder Illinois Chapter 1