Rolling Thunder®, Inc. Illinois Chapter 1 Membership Meeting Minutes February 5, 2020

Rolling Thunder® Inc. Illinois Chapter 1 Membership Meeting was called to order by President, Jim Murray at 19:45 hours on February 5, 2020 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
No	Kandice Jacobs (PG)	Board Member
Yes	Knute Weick	Board Member

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 January during the Viet Nam War.

Jim "Snipe" Murray:

- Membership dues need to be in no later than the next meeting.
- Gun bash tickets are available for members to sell and please see Snipe, Popeye or Names if you need more. Also remember to turn in your money at each meeting.
- Display case plans are progressing, and new updates will be provided at the next meeting.
- The bowling event put on by the Sandwich Legion Riders went very well with a number of our members in attendance. All funds raised will be donated to our chapter in the future.
- Snipe would like someone to volunteer as a PR rep for our chapter. If you are interested let him know.
- 2020 Freedom Ride will be the Friday before Memorial Day. The ride will take riders first to Champaign and then on Saturday the riders will head to Columbus OH for the ride and weekend events.

Knute Weick:

• Steve's Silkscreen will be our new shirt vendor and shirts will be ordered for those who need one.

Richard "Popeye" Montgomery:

• The groups that showed up at Tinley Park for the Bike Show/Swap meet sold 40 gun bash tickets.

Gary "Names" Vandenbos:

 Names asked our chapter about ending the 50/50 ticket sale for BTR. People have mentioned to him and others in our chapter that we seem to be going in the direction of a sales-oriented group.
Members discussed the topic and it was decided that the 50/50 tickets will be sold only during BTR instead of before and during.

Al "Shadow" Miller:

- Shadow asked for the membership to vote on funding the VAP for \$5,000.00 and the motion was made and approved.
- The monument ceremony in Darien has been set for June 6th, time and other information will be upcoming.
- The Warrenville monument has been ordered, and a date has not been set.

New Business:

LT asked for a vote to have the table ceremony linens dry cleaned along with the flags. A motion was made and passed.

Chappy presented our chapter with a check donation from VFW Post 2992 out of Des Plaines. Their post likes the work we do and wanted to give money to help our VAP program.

Meeting was adjourned at 20:18 hours. Respectfully submitted by, Wendy Vach, Recording Secretary Rolling Thunder Illinois Chapter 1