

East Coast Riders Meeting Minutes

December 8, 2023

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2023 Officers:

President – Tom Law

Treasurer – Tom Seamon

Road Captains – Roddy Niesen, Dave Reinkens, Ed Oldrich

Chaplain – Lou Martino

Vice-President – John Boice

Secretary – Michelle Arsenault

Sergeant at Arms – Robert Hallenbeck Sr.

Call To Order: Bob Hallenbeck

Time: 7:00 PM

Pledge of Allegiance: All

Opening Prayer: Lou Martino

Roll Call of Members: Tom Law (26 of 47 Members Present)

John Agan Michelle Arsenault Al Austin Bob Balint Jack Bogarski John Boice Corey Bowen Kristal Clevenger
 Chris Cole Austin Cranna Carl Decker Joe Downey Matt Dugan Will Ferguson George Fox Bill Greico
 Will Haberland Bob Hallenbeck Bobby Hallenbeck, Jr Betty Holt Tom Hunt Troy Kay Brian Kelley Chris Kelley
 Tom Law Joe Mabb Dan Main Ricky Martini Louis Martino Marc Martino Michael Martino Shane McDonald
 Hunter Metzler Matt Metzler Pat Metzler Roddy Niesen Terra Niesen Edward Oldrich Dave Reinkens
 Edward Roosa Joyce Schneider Ron Schneider Carlo Scott Tom Seamon Dave Seeley Jim Sharp Jim Williams
 Kevin Zelno

Introduction of New Prospective Member: Tom Law

Dave Seeley

Reading of Previous Meeting Minutes: Michelle Arsenault

November membership meeting minutes read and approved by Members.

- **Motion to Accept:** (1st Marc Martino, 2nd Austin Cranna, **Approved** by Members)

Board of Directors Report: The following items were discussed at the Board of Director's meeting:

- Member application – Dave Seeley
- 7 families instead of 6 for Christmas
- Advantages of gift cards instead of Gift Baskets for Christmas families
- ECR flags not ordered yet

Officer Reports:

President: Tom Law

- Steve Manning called to discuss a family who is going to lose their 16 yr old son. Have other children and money tight for Christmas.
 - Discussed with Board to donate \$500 to the family.

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- New ECR tent was purchased with ECR logo on all sides.
 - Cost \$600 and is on its way – if anyone would like to take a look, he has a picture to view of tent.

Vice President: John Boice

- No report.

Treasurer: Tom Seamon

- Reading of the Treasurer's Report was approved by members.
 - **Motion to Accept:** (1st Ron Schneider, 2nd Chris Cole, **Approved** by Members)

Savings Account Beginning Balance:	\$44,986.04
Cash In:	\$6,057.09
Paid Out:	\$4,400.47
Savings Account Ending Balance:	\$46,642.66
Cash on Hand:	\$250.00
Checking Account:	\$2,108.87
Total ECR Accounts:	\$49,001.53

Tim Beaucage Memorial Beginning Balance:	\$5,798.17
Cash In:	\$2,119.18
Paid Out:	\$0.00
Tim Beaucage Memorial Ending Balance:	\$7,917.35

Sergeant At Arms: Bob Hallenbeck

- No Report.

Chaplain: Lou Martino

- No Report.

Committee Reports:

Bike: (Ron S., Dave R., Bob H.)

- No report.

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Bylaws: (Will H., Tom S., Kevin Z.)

- No Report

Events: (Pat M., Matt M., Betty H., Karen L., Tom L.)

- Pat advised of the following:
 - December 16th – 1:00 pm - Family Gift Wrapping @ Stuyvesant Fire
 - Christmas Party - Immediately following wrapping completion
 - Further discussion at December 8th Membership meeting
 - BYOB
 - Let Pat know if you will be bringing a dish to share
 - December 17th – 12:00 pm – Present delivery to families – Meet at Stewarts
 - December 19th – 4:30 pm - Winter Walk – Line up at Holly Hills if riding
 - If going on float – 3:30 – 4 at Barnwell

Land: (Jake, K., Brian K., John B.)

- No Report.

T-shirt: (Joyce S., Tina D.)

- Not much for shirts.
- Tom got ECR member flag design – 3 x 5, black with club colors
 - Tom has list but if anyone would like to get one that wasn't originally on list please let him know.
 - Flags will be approximately \$20.

Trailer: (Bob H., Dave R., Ron S.)

- Tom advised that as some point the trailer will be going into the tent to be worked on.

Road Captain: (Roddy N., Dave R., Ed O.)

- No report.

Safety: (Dave R., Jim S., Michelle A.)

- No report.

Website: (Kevin Z., Mike M.)

- By-laws updated on website.

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Unfinished Business: Tom Law

Drawing Party

- Tom advised that the drawing party had 51 people in attendance. Party was a success and saved about \$800 going to Jackson's.
 - Brought in about \$500 at party.
- Sharpie got several pictures and put one of Joyce and Ron in the paper.
 - Presented Joyce and Ron with a picture from the paper and a framed picture from Ronnies.
- 2nd place winner Jack Holt asked to void check and issue for \$700 with \$300 given back to ECR.
- Thank you to Zandra at door collecting money, Terra for food and Jack for DJ.

ECR Float

- Tom advised that November 11th several members go together to fix and get float ready.

New Business: Tom Law – Open for discussions.

Cash Raffle Proposal

- Tom advised of a cash raffle that Austin does and gave floor to discuss.
- Austin advised that for a couple years he has been doing a cash raffle and could be beneficial for raising funds for the pavilion at the property.
 - 1000 tickets @ \$20 each with 10 payouts
 - Discussion amongst members as to benefits and timeframe
- Motion made to do cash raffle – 1000 tickets, \$20 each, drawing June 15th with 10 cash payouts as follows: \$5,000, \$2,500, \$1,000, \$600, \$400, \$100 (6th – 10th prizes)
 - **Motion to Accept:** (1st Marc Martino, 2nd Chris Cole, **Approved** by Members)

Float Decorating

- Tom advised that 12/3 several members decorated the float, looks great and lots of lights.

Donation to Hospice

- Tom advised that the donation cap for Hospice is \$10,000. As we didn't sell as many tickets and make as much as normal that it was discussed by the board to follow the 60/40 split. \$8,000 is the amount looking to be approved by members for donation to Hospice this year.

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- Check will be presented at January meeting, not Christmas party as Steve will be out of town.
 - Motion made for \$8,000 donation to Hospice.
 - **Motion to Accept:** (1st Terra Neisen, 2nd Pat Metzler, **Approved** by Members)

Election Vote / Results

- Tom – asked if everyone has put election ballot in box.
- Election Committee tallied votes.
- Marc revealed election results as follows:
 - President – **Tom Law**
 - Treasurer – **Terra Niesen**
 - Sargent At Arms – **Austin Cranna**
 - Board of Directors
 - Original – **Roddy Niesen**
 - Original – **Ron Schneider**
 - Member – **Will Haberland**

Donations

- Terra asked about donation caps and if we had set them and where at for the year.
 - John B. advised that a \$2,000 cap annually was set and that we were currently at \$1,100 for donations.

Food Baskets / Gift Cards for Christmas Families

- Al asked what members thought about giving Gift Cards instead of food baskets.
- Normally go to Aldi's for food, however Hannaford always donates – should we get gift cards so they can get what they want.
- There was discussion amongst members and majority of members were in agreement for the gift cards.
 - Motion made to get gift cards for Christmas families
 - **Motion to Accept:** (1st Austin Cranna, 2nd Ron Schneider, **Approved** by Members)

Thanks / Support

- John Agan thanked everyone for all the support they have given to him.
- Roddy thanked Shane for donating an electric scooter to John.
- Marc thanked Al for everything he has done for club and on Board as Chairman.
- Tom thanked all the woman who once again created beautiful gift baskets for the Christmas families.

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5-Year Membership Patches: Tom Law

- None.

Raffle drawings: Tractor – Joyce Schneider, Door Prize – Bobby Hallenbeck

Next Business Meeting: Tom Law

Date: January 5th Time: 7:00 PM Place: Kinderhook Elks

Closing Prayer: Lou Martino

Adjournment: Tom Law

Time: 8:15 PM

Motion to Accept: (1st John Boice, 2nd Michelle Arsenault, **Approved** by Members)