

Lake Chapter, A.B.A.T.E. of MN

Date: March 6, 2010

Location: Delano American Legion
4:00 pm

Time:

Officers Attending:

President	Dawn Riba	X		
Vice President	Bill Jensen	X		
Chapter Rep	Dawn Riba	X		
Treasurer	Jim Kosse	X		
Secretary	Sheryl Immel	X		
Sergeants at Arms	Mike Edgett	X	John Dewey	X
	Michael Shinn	X	Lee Plante	X

Total number of members attending: 50 Total number of guests: 2

Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance Led by John (Batman) Dewey. At 4:08.

Welcome of new members or guests

President's remarks (Dawn) Thank you everyone for coming.

Vice President's remarks (Bill) Welcome everyone and thank you for coming. We will be doing elections later in the meeting.

OFFICER REPORTS

Secretary's report (Sheryl) *Motion to accept minutes as written – Fred, 2nd by Keith (Smoker). Hands – Motion passed.*

Treasurer's report (Jim)

Treasurer's Report - February 2010

Presented at March 6, 2010 Meeting @ Delano Legion

Started February with **\$3,125.16**

Income:

Memberships	129.00
Products sold @ GH	160.00
Grounded Hogs advanced ticket sales	660.00
Grounded Hogs Front Gate ticket sales	2755.00
Grounded Hogs sponsorships (Mediacom, Tommy Sue's)	100.00
Grounded Hogs silent auction	1484.00
Grounded Hogs live auction	787.00
Grounded Hogs event t-shirt sales	440.00
Grounded Hogs return of startup cash	300.00
Grounded Hogs cash cube	50.00
Medina sale of Grounded Hogs tickets (nets to 91.81)	640.00
Medina Entertainment %15 of bar @ GH (nets to 91.81)	551.00
Donation to Toys for Tots	2.00

Donation to Food Sheld	7.00
Products sold	40.00

Total:	8105.00
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Expenses:

1st class postage for Road Noise September	2.00
Reimburse Chapter Rep for BOD hotel expense	65.93
Reimburse Chapter Rep for BOD milage expense 286 X \$.14	40.04
Grounded Hogs startup cash (change)	300.00
Grounded Hogs band expense-Everett Smithson -cash	400.00
Grounded Hogs band expense-Pork Chop -cash	800.00
Medina Entertainment Security (nets to 91.81)	210.00
Medina Entertainment water for band (nets to 91.81)	23.40
Medina Entertainment remainder of room rental (nets to 91.81)	300.00
Medina Entertainment sound & light (nets to 91.81)	600.00
Medina Entertainment coat check (nets to 91.81)	20.00
Medina Entertainment fee for selling tickets (nets to 91.81)	64.00
Medina Entertainment tax (nets to 91.81)	60.96
Medina Entertainment service charge (nets to 91.81)	4.45
Trf to MRF Fund	248.75
MNPAC	248.75
Grounded Hogs 50% split with A.B.A.T.E of MN	1922.47
Adwear Specialties Grounded Hogs T-shirt printing	627.60
Trf to Toys for Tots Fund	2.00
Trf to Food Shelf Fund	7.00
Just Stitchin' (Chapter milage challenge patches0	30.00
VikingTrophies (member of the year plaque)	37.14

Total:	6,014.49
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February Ending Balance	\$5,215.67
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Earmarks:

ABATE U hospitality room	\$160.00
ABATE U Chapter Challenge (up to \$675.00)	\$500.00

Petty Cash:	\$45.05
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MRF Donation Fund:	\$255.30
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Chapter Gambling Fund:	\$355.80
Food Shelf Fund:	\$12.00
Toys for Tots Fund:	\$2.00
Buddy Bear Fund	\$34.55
Grand Total:	\$5,920.37

Spendable \$5,055.67

Motion to accept Treasurer's report –Keith Knee, 2nd by Michael Shinn. Hands – Hands - Motion passed.

Five minute limit on committee reports. A Sergeant at Arms will let you know how much time you have left.

Chapter Rep report (Todd) Tickets are still available for the ABATE U raffle. For each ticket we sell, we earn \$10.00 for our gambling fund. Todd encourages anyone attending ABATE U to attend the board meeting. *Motion to be a Silver sponsor (\$500.00) for the ABATE state rally - Mary, 2nd by Becky. Hands - Motion passed.* Rally tickets are now available on the website. Todd encourages everyone to attend other chapter's fundraisers. There is a chili feed in St James on March 27th. On March 13th in Detroit Lakes there is a fundraiser, Todd has a ticket available. The Freedom First Riders has a fundraiser on April 10th at a winery. Rally shifts we have requested to work are the security shift on Saturday and the front gate on Saturday from 11-3.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Special Events (open) We are looking for a new Committee Chair. The Spring Run is May 15th leaving the Delano Legion at 12:00. Registration begins at 10:00. Tickets are \$5.00 in advance and \$10.00 the day of the run.

Products (Rhiannon) Grounded Hogs t-shirts are still available. Rhiannon stated that t-shirts with a date on them do not sell after the event, something to think about for next year. Frenchy memorial patches are still available. Rhiannon would like to move as many products as possible so she can order long sleeve t-shirts. She is also looking for ideas for new products to order.

Training & Education (Mary) The Accident Scene Management class has been moved to March 20th and 21st at the Hopkins American Legion. *Motion to spend \$300.00 to secure an ERC class on May 23rd - Michael, 2nd by Sherri. Hands - Motions passed.* Mary will call and secure the date of May 23rd. The class runs from 8 to 1. She will send around a sign up sheet. We need 12 people to sign up for this class. Mary will contact the Tri-County chapter if we don't have enough people sign up. A second class will be booked if necessary. The chapter will pay up to \$40.00 reimbursement for members who take the class and choose to be reimbursed. Taking an ERC extends your ABATE membership by 6 months.

At this time we will do elections because we have people who need to leave. Ballots were passed. Please don't mark your ballots until all nominations are done. Elections judges are Patty, Cathie and Keith Knee.

Motion that the chapter recognizes all 5 of the nominees for Sergeant @ Arms - Bill, 2nd by John (Batman). Hands - Motion passed.

Officer Nominations:
Sergeant at Arms:

John (Batman) Dewey – decline
Rick Oglesby - accept
Lee Plante - decline
Michael Shinn – accept
Charlie Cassell – accept
John Wachholz – accept
Randy Deters - accept

Secretary:
Sheryl Immel – accept

Treasurer:
Jim Kosse – accept

Chapter Rep:
Todd Riba – decline
Mary Berger – accept - Mary has withdrawn her name from the ballot
Mike Edgett – accept

Vice President:
Bill Jensen – accept
Todd Riba – decline
Mike Edgett – decline
John (Batman) Dewey – decline

President:
Dawn Riba – accept
Mike Berger – decline
Too Tall - decline
Mike Edgett – decline
Bill Jensen – decline
Charlie Cassell – decline
Keith Efron - accept

Membership and Retention (open) We are looking for a new chair. Let Dawn know if you are interested.

Buddy Bear (Jim) 48 bears have been ordered. Let Jim know if you know of anyone who would like bears.

A.B.A.T.E. U (Noma/Karen) ABATE U is April 16th and 17th. Becky will take \$15.00 for the luncheon an all you can eat Italian buffet, Amy Koch and Slider Gilmore will be speaking. Auction items are still needed.

State Rally (Bill) Tickets for the rally are available on the website. (www.ABATEMN.org) From now until A.B.A.T.E. U advanced tickets are \$25.00. From then until the July BOD the are \$30.00. After that \$40.00. There will be a sign up sheet at A.B.A.T.E. U for the Algona rally, if you are not attending contact Todd to sign up. This is ABATE of MN largest membership drive so if you can help out contact Todd. Posters for the rally will be available at ABATE U.

OTHER REPORTS

Legislative Director (Todd) Todd and Frank Ernest attended a fundraiser for Representative Collin Peterson. He is the chair of the Agriculture Committee in the US House of Representatives and we have been able to get him to sign on the some motorcycle legislation as a co-sponsor. Support of the Motorcycle Pac helps get us to these fundraiser to make an impact. Todd has t-shirts or you can make a donation the the Pac to get people to these fundraisers. Biker Day was

a huge success. The turn out from Lake Chapter was very strong. Up to date there has no word on any mandatory helmet legislation. No word on our safety funds being raided, thanks to 500 bikers showing up at biker day.

Public Relations (Mitch) No report.

MRF Report (Todd) For those of you who were at the Fishing contest, thank you it was a big success. We raised \$125.00 for the MRF. Thank you to Mike, Mary, Lee, Charlie and anyone who helped. Right now everyone is talking about the Health Care Bill. There is also a Jobs Bill that they talked about and somehow the MRF was able to include an extension of some of the safety money we received over the past few years. We were able to get the extended money, 7 million dollars over the next few years for training and education and public awareness. The highway bill which will be discussed at the Federal level whenever they get done with the health care bill is going to be large bill. Some good and bad things can come out of that bill; the MRF will keep a very close eye on that. The last time the highway bill came through there was a legitimate attempt at some helmet legislation, so we want to make sure that doesn't happen again. The MRF financial position is a lot better than it was last year. Thank you for supporting them, but please continue to support them. Heartland Steam is coming up the weekend after ABATE U, considering going to this conference to support the MRF. Last year they made about \$15,000 there.

MMSAC (Mitch) More ABATE members are needed on this committee. The application process starts on April 1st; Mike will bring applications to the next meeting and help anyone who is interested fill them out.

Motion to accept the committee reports - Keith (Smoker). 2nd by Michael. Hands – Motion passed

Drawing of name (Mike E.) Jim is the winner of the \$5 off chapter products coupon.

OLD BUSINESS - We are still losing members, there are several chapters that are closing in on us. The tickets for the ABATE U raffle need to be back to Kim for us to get credit in our gambling funds. *Motion to spend \$100.00 on food for the hospitality room at ABATE U – Becky, 2nd by Sherry. Hands – Motion passed.* Smoker has volunteered to purchase the food for ABATE U.

NEW BUSINESS – there will be an ad in the Road Noise for the Spring Run. The Legion Riders benefit is on March 27th from 4-11 at the Delano Legion. Advanced tickets are \$10.00; there will be food, beer and a live and silent auction. The May 1st meeting will be at Missile Park in St Boni. *Motion to table the meeting date discussion – Mary.*

Motion to donate \$200.0 to the Legion Riders Benefit – Rick, 2nd by Lee. Hands – Motion passed.

Motion to earmark \$2000.00 for the Grounded Hogs party in 2011 – Mike, 2nd by Noma. Hands – Motion passed.

Election of officers.

The new officers are:

President – Dawn Riba

VP – Bill Jensen

Chap Rep – Mike Edgett

Treasurer – Jim Kosse

Secretary – Sheryl Immel

Sergeant @ Arms

Rick Oglesby

Michael Shinn

Charlie Cassell

Randy Deters

John Wachholz

UPCOMING EVENTS

March 27 – Legion Riders Benefit

April 10 – Chapter Meeting, Doc Holiday's Delano, 4pm

April 16-18 – ABATE U Alexandria Holiday Inn (320) 763-6577

April 23-24 Heartland Steam, Clear Lake Iowa

May 1 – Washout, Ditch pick-up, Chapter meeting-Missile Park. St Boni

May 15 - Spring Run, leaving the Delano Legion at 12:00, Registration starts at 10:00

May 29 - Memorial Run

Motion to adjourn – Michael.

Time: 6:07

Minutes recorded and submitted by Sheryl Immel, Lake Chapter Secretary

Motions made at the 3.7.09 meeting

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2. *Motion to accept Treasurer's report –Keith Knee, 2nd by Michael Shinn. Hands – Hands - Motion passed.*
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11. *Motion to adjourn – Michael.*