

St. Croix Valley Riders Informational General Meeting Notes

Date: Sunday, February 13, 2022
 Called to order: 1210p
 BOD Attendance

Pledge of Allegiance – Led by SAA Scott Thom
 # of members in attendance - 40

Position/BOD Member	Present	Absent Excused	Absent Unexcused
President – Mark Koon	X		
Vice President – Chris Hawkinson	X		
Secretary (Interim)– Lisa Bright	X		
Treasurer – Brenda Hawkinson	X		
MN Legislative Director – Randy Swenson	X		
WI Legislative Director – Dan Hren	X		
Director at Large – Norm Pollard	X		
Director at Large Crash Schneider	X		
President Emeritus – Dwight Smith		X	
Sargent at Arms – Scott Thom	X		

President’s Introduction – Mark Koon

- Mark welcomed everyone to the meeting and gave out some upcoming important dates
 - Next meeting will be Sunday, April 10 at 12 noon, BOD Meeting at 11am
 - April will be the month when nominations for open officer positions
 - Those offices include President, Secretary, 1 – Director at Large, 1 – Audit Committee
 - All positions are 2 year commitments and alternate so the board is never a completely need group.
 - Donnie Smith
 - Saturday 9a-7p and Sunday 10a-5p
 - We can still use volunteers
 - April 16 – Flood Run we will have the merchandise trailer at the Nauti Hawg in Diamond Bluff, please sign up to help man the booth.
 - April 30 – Open House/Membership Drive at St. Paul Harley
 - Please see a board member to sign up to help out.
 - June we will be having a townhall meeting with members of our Political constituencies

Secretary Report – Lisa Bright (interim)

Motion was made by Dan Hren to waive the reading of the minutes – seconded by Rhys Moreno - passed

Treasurer’s Report – Brenda Hawkinson

Account Balances:

General Fund \$14586.66

Sunshine Fund \$3,066.00

Merchandise trailer fund I at \$739

Motion to accept the Treasurer’s Report made by Dan Hren – seconded by Lisa Bright - passed

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COMMITTEE REPORTS

Merchandise Report – Michelle Moreno/Tiffani Tjepkes/Dawn Griffith (absent)

We are looking at ball caps, and investigating a program that would allow us to do real time inventory.

Membership Report – Lisa Bright

Membership renewals were being prepared to be mailed out to members who have not renewed. Dan Hren asked for an exact count on membership, however an exact number was not available.

Rider's Education – David Bright

The March 5, saw 11 members who took the Crash Scene Management. If there is more interest we can have another class.

Road Captain – Matt Tjepkes

The planning of the route for the fun run is in process.

MN Legislative Report – Randy Swenson

- Randy testified against the Underinsured/Uninsured bill. (SF1428) We also had ABATE members and Insurance companies lobbying against this mandated insurance. Be sure you call your representatives and tell them to vote NO!
- Don't be complacent and think someone else is going to speak for you on what you want.
- The house has a bill to increase documentary fees for motorcycles.
- The Senate has a bill to appropriate money for safety and traffic.
- We will have a town hall meeting after the caucus. Boundaries will be changing this fall be sure to go to our website and get information on who your legislator is. (MN – <https://www.gis.lcc.mn.gov/iMaps/districts/> and WI - <https://maps.legis.wisconsin.gov/>)

WI Legislative Report – Dan Hren

Dan Hren was the only individual from our area in WI to attend the Biker day in WI.

Public Relations – Kim Fricke (Absent)

All posts on FB need to be approved by an admin. We will not post what conflicts with our own events. And we are not here to promote bands.

Adopt-A-Highway: Jay Griffiths (Absent)

Jay is hoping we can have between 12-14 people for the spring and fall clean ups. Please consider assisting.

Web Master – Sheila Sumner (Absent)

Please be sure to send any items that may need correcting or adding to the website to Sheila.

Newsletter – John Olson (Absent)

Next deadline for newsletters is April 15th. Please make sure you get your articles in on time.

Advertising – Vacant

We are looking for someone who may be interested in filling this position.

Sunshine Fund – Brenda Hawkinson

- Marissa/Troy Peterson – he passed from COVID
- Mark Lementa – mom passed

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- David Bright – diagnosed with CLL (aka Leukemia)

Chili Feed – Mark Koon

- Nothing to report at this time.

MFR – Dan Hren

- May 16-17 Bikers on the Beltway
 - There will be an overnight stay in Lodi, WI and then in PA on the way out.
- Taking nominations for MRF Hall of Fame
 - MRF is being inducted into the Motorcycle Hall of Fame in Sturgis this year.

OLD BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR

- Dan Hren made a motion to sent \$500 to ABATE of WI to assist with defraying the cost of the busses used to go to the Capital in WI on Feb 17 – Matt Tjepkes seconded – passed
- 67 Motorcyclists were lost in 2021 (up from the 64 in 2020) Most were single riders and 21 were non-licensed
 - Be careful out there.
- Encourage people to educate themselves.
- WI had 109 fatalities
- A member asked about an update on the investigation of the missing money.
 - BCA has turned the case back to St. Paul Park

NEW BUSINESS

- Alzheimer Run is June 18 - there will be a cash raffle drawing!
- Fun Run is June 25 – Uncle Chuck will be the band at Gaslite
- Scotty Run is August 20 – Uncle Check will be the band at Gaslite
- Grass drags will happen again this year – no date yet.
- New members present today
 - Cody Becker from Chisago City, MN
 - Randy Fluger and Ann Schmidt from ?????
- Cody drew the 50/50 and Norm Pollard was the winner, he donated \$30 to the trailer fund.

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- None

Dan Hren made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Brenda Hawkinson seconded - Passed

Minutes Respectfully submitted by



Lisa Bright – Membership Coordinator/Interim Secretary