

Rig Riders Meeting Minutes

September 25, 2016 – Thirsty Parrot (Monaville, TX)

Chris Miller (President)

- Welcomed members and called the meeting to order
- Held Pledge of Allegiance
- Reminded everyone to sign attendance sheet and check email and contact information
- Check Facebook and Website for club information and calendar events
- 50/50 tickets being sold
- No guests in attendance
- No current prospects in attendance
- Discussed recent trip by some club members to Tail of the Dragon and shared story about witnessing a car accident and club members responding to aid people involved. Recognized the guys for their actions. Mark Mabile made a comment about how important it is to stay focused while driving and how a short distraction can lead to something catastrophic
- Gave details of the OHH check presentation and how much the charity appreciated the donation given the state of the Oil and Gas business.
- Reviewed club financials (Treasurer not in attendance)
 - Income of \$195 for the month from 50/50
 - Expenses of \$5,010.65 for the month (\$10.65 internet & email and \$5,000.00 to OHH)
 - Total net cash on hand \$11,698.10

Tim Callais (Secretary)

- Reviewed minutes from previous month's meeting at Sharkies
 - Motion to accept by Mark Mabile
 - Second by Bruce Smotherman

Brandon Davidson (Ride Committee)

- Lone Star Rally coming up in early November (Some members will have lodging)
- Annual Fall Colors ride (October 19th through 22nd) details have been sent to club, posted on Facebook and hotel rooms have been blocked

Mark Mabile (Sergeant-at-Arms)

- Safety Moment topics:
 - Distracted driving
 - Elaborated on car accident that group witnessed and a near miss while riding back from trip
 - Stay focused and avoid distractions of Navigation systems or phones while riding

Chris Miller (President)

- New Business:
 - Discussions about connecting with COCI to be members and recognized as a club
 - Gave background to why this came about – incident with a member encountering a club at a bar and was asked to remove vest/patch
 - Officers decided to reach out to COCI
 - Contact was made with Chairman of COCI Houston Region 3
 - Meeting was arranged prior to COCI meeting (did not happen before meeting)
 - Officers decided not to attend COCI meeting and an email was sent to club
 - Officers were contacted by Chairman of COCI agreeing to a meeting
 - Meeting was attended by Chris Miller and Marc LeBlanc (Met with Chairman and Secretary of COCI Houston Region 3) the meeting was very informative and our officers were given a breakdown of the process we should go through and advice on what to do in the interim
 - A special meeting was called by the officers to recap the events of the meeting with the COCI officers and at this meeting it was determined we needed to move forward with the suggestions given by the COCI officers
 - An email was sent to the club regarding the date change for our September meeting to discuss our way forward with the COCI
 - During this September meeting there was a discussion about the COCI, their position, the changes from representation away from 1% clubs, etc.
 - Discussed the need to modify the RRMCM patch design going forward
 - Discussed the things that we need to do as a club to interact with current M/C's in the area and proper protocols when meeting them
 - A vote was taken during the meeting on whether or not we should pursue membership within the COCI (16 for and 0 against)
 - A proposal was made by Mark Mabile to donate \$600 now to the COCI Houston Region 3 and seconded by Marc LeBlanc followed by a vote (16 for and 0 against)
 - A suggestion was made to increase club dues by \$10 to accommodate the COCI donation but Marc LeBlanc explained that the suggestion would have to be made to the officers and a change in bylaws would have to be made in order to change the dues
- Asked for volunteers for Election Committee, no volunteers (will try again in October along with volunteers for the Christmas Party Committee)
- 50/50 winner Mary-Anne LeBlanc (\$100)
- Next club meeting suggestions (October 15th)
 - Wildcatter's in Katy (6)
 - Papa's in the Woodlands (1)
 - Papa's on Lake Conroe (7) – Meeting will be here
- Ride after meeting:
 - None due to stormy weather in area
- Closing prayer by Mark Mabile