



Blue Knights International Law Enforcement Motorcycle Club, Inc. Texas VII



DATE: August 7th, 2012

LOCATION: I-Hop 6508 Washington Ave, Houston, TX

CALLED TO ORDER: 1900HRS

By: Neal Leonard

Invocation by: Harry Stafford

Roll Call: Neal Leonard

TREASURE REPORT: GARY RICE

BEGINNING BALANCE:

Outstanding Checks: 148-\$250.00

149-\$116.00

150-TPCA

151-\$150.00

Deposits: \$0.00

ENDING BALANCE: \$2620.30

Discussion: None

Motion to Accept: Harry Stafford **Second:** Harold Sprawls

For: All Present **Against:** None

Treasures report accepted as presented.

SECRETARY REPORT: JEFFREY TIPPIT

MINUTES OF LAST MEETING: Were forgotten at home and will be presented at next meeting

Discussion:

Motion to Accept: **Second:**

For **Against:**

PRESIDENT REPORT: Neal Leonard

Neal and Stephanie Leonard attended the fund raiser for Larry Fulshear. Good turn out with a 110 mile ride with destination at park for BBQ dinner. Larry is in rehad now and doing good.

Neal Leonard has received numerous emails and fliers advertising MC rides and fund raisers. Will send out an email with a list.

Fund raiser for HCSO Sgt Romney-District 1, having a 2nd brain surgery and raffling off an AR15, 45ACP, 12 gun standing safe. Drawing on 8-31-12.

Neal Leonard read feedback forms from last RIDE FOR KIDS. All were good and said it was best organized ride.

VICE PRESIDENT REPORT: Steve Stensland

Not in attendance.

SPECIAL GUEST:

Mr. Duncan Finlayson from Christus Foundation Houston discussed the upcoming NUN RUN 2012.

All proceeds raised in Houston stay in Houston. The funds benefit the healthcare services for the areas that have limited to no health care in the Houston area. Treated and over 4000 kids and their families last year. This results in an increase of school attendance by an estimated 96%. Health Camp held in summer to show kids how to eat and lead healthier lives. The Foundation has also increased funding to the Healthy Neighborhood, \$1.8 Million. The foundation is interested in any suggestions to improve, make safer. Numerous suggestions were offered by members including ensuring kickstands up and rolling on time due to area agencies with officers assigned at various traffic points along the route. An earlier start time to avoid traffic and call volumes of area agencies. Civilian cars in the ride need to keep up to avoid gaps in ride. T-shirts for escort bikes and riders. Mr. Finlayson also advised there would be special parking at the end of the ride for the BKTXXVII and the CMA Riders will assist in parking of the riders this year.

NEW BUSINESS:

Butch Blackmon advised members of Neal Leonard's retirement for a 2nd time from law enforcement and is moving. Neal Leonard helped start the BKTXXVII in 1988 and was the chapters first Vice President. A retirement party sponsored by the BKTXXVII will be held on 8-25-12 at the Traders Village Pavilion. Party will begin at 1300hrs and end at 1400hrs. All those planning to attend please advise Butch so that enough food is prepared.

Les Neely's mother, 96 yoa, is not doing well and want members to keep her and his family in their prayers.

Butch Blackmon advised that Dianne Trainer, one of the organizers of RIDE FOR KIDS died and suggested the chapter issue a check for \$100.00 to Ride For Kids in her honor. Neal Leonard made the motion with second from Harry Stafford. All in attendance approved and motion passed.

Butch Blackmon advised members of the Texas Honor Ride Fund Raiser Ride on 9-22-12 at West Conroe Baptist Church. All BKTXXVII riders that will assist are to meet at the4 Fairfield Inn off I-45, 17617 North Freeway, Houston, TX (888) 305-8028 at 0800hrs to escort the Wounded Soldiers from their hotel to the event. Butch Blackmon also advised of the other upcoming Texas Honor Ride events:

11-2, 3, 4-2012 The Lone Star Rally

11-10-2012, The Texas Honor Ride to deliver the check to BAMC in San Antonio.

Butch Blackmon advised of the Parade For Vietnam Vets in Victoria Texas, hosted by Ron Coshius, host of the Wounded Warriors Weekend. The event is scheduled for 10-13-2012 with BKTXXVII to be included in the parade.

Butch Blackmon advised the dates for the South Side Toy Run is 12-8-12 and the North Side Toy Run is 12-16-12

Pat Thomas advised members of the 911 Heroes Run at Ellington Field scheduled for 9-18-12. BKTXXVII will be given booth for the event to display our bikes along with 911 bike. Motion by Stephanie Leonard and second by Harry Stafford to attend. Motion passed by all members in attendance. Email will be sent out to all members on attending and to respond if can attend. Pat will find out about power. Set up time can began at 0645hrs.

David Schnautz-Quarter Master-took a survey on t-shirt sizes as well as let members know of the new windshield banners and reflective BK Shield stickers that were available. Will be working with implementing on online list of items available to members.

Butch Blackmon advised that Out Law Dave is opening a grill and bar next to the I-HOP and Out Law Dave has extended an open invitation to his place when eve3r we need it.

OLD BUSINESS:

Mike Thiac advised on re-scheduling the weekend chapter ride to sometime in March 2013.

Pct 4 Deputy that was injured in motorcycle accident while escorting is at home recovering and his leg was saved.

FOR THE GOOD AND BENEFIT OF THE CLUB:

ALL MEMBERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO PURCHASE EZ TAG.

MEETING ADJOURNED AT: 2025hrs

Motion Made By: Harold Sprawls

Second: Stephanie Leonard.

Prepared by Jeffrey Tippit, Blue Knights Texas VII chapter Secretary.

