

LI ABATE membership meeting 11-14-17, Ronkonkoma, NY

7:33 Meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance, Moment of Silence for our Veterans in honor of Veterans Day.

Salute to all active and non-active veterans present.

Welcome new members and guests.

Minutes for the September 2017 membership meeting were published in the October newsletter.

**Motion 30-2017: Motion to accept September 2017 membership meeting minutes as published in the October newsletter. (Seconded) All in favor.**

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**Motion 31-2017: Motion to accept October 2017 membership meeting minutes as published in the November newsletter. (Seconded) All in favor.**

**Treasurer's Report:** Detailed income and expenditures were reported.

**Motion 32-2017: Motion to accept treasury report. (Seconded) All in favor.**

### **Committee Reports**

**Jackie / Membership:** November membership renewal letters have been sent out. Memberships can be renewed by mail, online or at a membership meeting. Memberships can be renewed at any time. Your current membership will be extended for one year. *It is imperative that members renew and that we keep our membership numbers up. It is the only way we can be effective when we meet with public officials.* If you are not receiving LI ABATE newsletters or e-mails, please let Jackie or Nancy know and the e-mail data base will be updated.

**Nancy / Newsletter:** If you did not receive an e-mail notification for the November newsletter, please check SPAM, or let Nancy know.

**Mike / Legislative Liaison:** The Governor signed a bill which necessitates at least two questions about motorcycle awareness be included on all permit tests.

**Joe / Road Captain:** Joe thanked all those who helped with the road guarding on the Food and Toy Run. *Thank you to Joe for the route taken on the run.*

**Kathy / Products:** Gift certificates for LI ABATE memberships are available. Special holiday incentives: \$30 membership + crew neck sweatshirt, \$35 membership + hoodie sweatshirt, \$40 membership + zippered sweatshirt. Gift certificates include a LI ABATE sticker and magnet. Fall and winter products are in: zippered sweatshirts \$25 (black, purple, gray), hoodie sweatshirts \$20, crew-neck sweatshirts \$15, knit hats \$15, long sleeve shirts \$20.

### Old Business

**St. Mary's Food and Toy Run** Thank you to all who participated in the run, even though the weather was poor. Thanks to the generosity of all participants, \$2600 in monetary donations was collected in addition to the truckloads of toys and food that were donated. We would like to thank **Bill** and **Josephine** for transporting all the donations.

**LIABATE** donated 9 turkeys to the Riders of Fire Turkey Run. The turkeys were then given to veterans. Thank you to **Greg Sheriden** for purchasing and delivering these turkeys.

**Molly Hatchet concert:** Jim gave a LI ABATE Veterans Appreciation Run t-shirt to lead singer **Phil McCormick**, who wore it on stage. Phil also spoke repeatedly about LI ABATE during the show.

**Nassau Meeting:** There will be a membership meeting in Nassau next Tuesday. There will be no December membership meeting in Suffolk or Nassau.

**WACO update:** The first of the defendants, **Jake Carrizal**, **Dallas President of Bandidos MC**, went on trial. The evidence presented did not prove that Jake committed a crime, resulting in a hung jury. Most jurists polled did not feel he was guilty. A new trial date has been set for April. **Jim** and **Double D** spoke about the trial today on **Tom Schillaro's** radio show, **Your Island Live**. This segment of the show will be posted on our website.

### New Business

**NY Motorcycle Show** at the Jacob Javits Center will be held December 1-3. **Mitch Proner** will reimburse LI ABATE for the funding of a booth for LI ABATE, ABATE of NY and CMRA to participate in this event.

**LI ABATE 2018 Motorcyclist Handbook:** Nancy will begin working on the 2018 Motorcyclist Handbook. If anyone is interested in advertising, please let Nancy know.

**LI ABATE** will be participating in a chili cook-off at Spirit's Promise Horse Rescue, November 18 @ 5pm. All proceeds to benefit our Veterans.

**Motion 33-2017: Motion to allocate up to \$50 to purchase supplies for this event. (Seconded) All in favor.**

## **Election Nominations**

Nominations for officers for 2018 will be taken tonight and elections held immediately following nominations. New officers will take effect in January. Our corporation is set up to include five trustees: President, **1<sup>st</sup> Vice President, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President, Treasurer, and Membership Secretary**. Elections will be held for these five titles. These five elected officers will then appoint six more officers, who will also be voting board members: **Sergeant at Arms, Recording Secretary, Legislative Liaison, Public Relations, Safety Officer and Road Captain**. In addition to these eleven voting board members, other positions will be appointed. These positions are non-voting board members: **Newsletter, Webmaster, Products Volunteer Coordinator, and Chaplain**. We encourage all who are interested to become involved.

President: **Jim Barr** was nominated for the office of President. The nomination was seconded. Jim accepted the nomination.

**Motion 34-2017: Motion to close nominations for president. (Seconded) All in favor.**

1<sup>st</sup> Vice President: **Nick LaMorte** was nominated for the office of 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President. The nomination was seconded. Nick accepted the nomination. There were no additional nominees for 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President.

**Motion 35-2017: Motion to close nominations for 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President. (Seconded) All in favor.**

2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President: **Nancy Greenseich** was nominated for the office of 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President. The nomination was seconded. Nancy accepted the nomination. There were no additional nominees for 2nd Vice President.

**Motion 36-2017: Motion to close nominations for 2nd Vice President. (Seconded) All in favor.**

Treasurer: **Bill Quinn** was nominated for the office of Treasurer. The nomination was seconded. Bill accepted the nomination. There were no additional nominees for Treasurer.

**Motion 37-2017: Motion to close nominations for Treasurer. (Seconded) All in favor.**

Membership Secretary: **Jackie Dalambakis** was nominated for the office of Membership Secretary. The nomination was seconded. Jackie declined the nomination. **George DeMott** was nominated for the office of Membership Secretary. The nomination was seconded. George accepted the nomination. There were no additional nominees for Membership Secretary.

**Motion 38-2017: Motion to close nominations for Membership Secretary. (Seconded) All in favor.**

**Motion 39-2017: Motion for recording secretary to cast 1 vote for all unopposed positions. (Seconded) All in favor.**

Volunteers were taken for the following appointed positions: Sergeant At Arms, Recording Secretary, Legislative Liaison, Public Relations Officer, Safety Officer, Road Captain, Newsletter Editor, Webmaster, Chaplain, Volunteer Coordinator and Products Officer.

### **LI ABATE Runs / Events**

**December 9 - Holiday Party** at the Backstage Pass, Ronkonkoma, 7pm, free to all LI ABATE members. free buffet / drink specials. Non-members \$10.

### **Club News**

**Bob / Long Island HOG:** 12/4, 33<sup>rd</sup> Annual Toy Run. Meet at Babylon Town Hall, Sunrise Hwy, Lindenhurst. Reg. begins at 10, KSU 12 noon. Run goes to Little Flower, Wading River.

**Pastor Gerry / Bikers for Christ Motorcycle Ministry:** 12/16 Christmas celebration, 4-8pm, American Legion Hall, Brentwood. \$20 pp.

**Am Vets Post 1174** expressed gratitude for the funds received at our Veterans Appreciation Fund Dinner.

50/50: \$73 to the winner. **Lorenzo** donated his winnings to the 2018 Veterans Appreciation fund.

**Motion 40-2017: Motion to adjourn. (Seconded) All in favor.** Meeting adjourned at 8:49.