

LONG ISLAND ABATE INC.

MEETING MINUTES – Tuesday, November 14, 2023

LOCATION: Elks Lodge; 41 Horseblock Road, Centereach, NY

Meeting started at 7:30pm

The regular meeting of the Long Island ABATE was called to order at 7:30 PM on November 14, 2023 at the Elks Lodge by Chris Beckhans. This is the last meeting for the year.

Pledge of Allegiance – Joe Schmid

President, Chris Beckhans welcomed guests.

Gerry Waldron – blessing and prayer.

National Anthem

Marine Corp Advance Colors

Recognized Gold Star Families – Joanne Lydal; Richard Baylis; Mr. Planko – gold star dad. Mel Cowen and Richard Kitson – gold star brothers.

Recognition of veterans and other conflicts.

Distribution of \$68,000 in funds.

VA @ Northport

American Legion Post 116, Bohemia

American Legion Post 694, Northport

American Legion Rider Post 1006, Brentwood

American Legion Rider Post 1033, Elmont

American Legion Rider Post 1244, Greenlawn

American Legion Riders Post 651, Sayville

American Vet Chapter 48

American Vets Chapter 1174

American Vets Chapter 1174 – Ladies Auxiliary.

Elks Lodge 2044, Riverhead

Coalition of Vets Organization, Port Jefferson/Mt. Sinai.

Cooking for LI Vets

Honor Flight LI

In Jordan's Honor

Jewish War Vets Post, 336

Leathernecks MC
LI Harley Vets Program
LI Blue Star Mom's #6
Marine Core Suffolk, color guard
Military Moms Blue Star 14
Nassau Co Fire Fight Operation Wounded Warrior
Patriot Guard Riders NY Region 8 and 9.
Paws of War
Project 9 Line
Rolling Thunder NY 6
Sea Cadets Farmingville
Specialist Matthew Baylis Scholarship Fund
Suffolk Co Home Front
Support Committee, Calverton Nat'l Cemetery.
USA Patriots
United Vets Beckum House
VFW Farmingville
VFW Post 7279 Lindenhurst
VFW Post 2913 Patchogue
VFW Post 4927 Port Jefferson Station
VFW Post 2476 Riverhead
VFW Post 6249 Rocky Point
VFW Post 433 Sayville
VFW Post 5350
VFW Ryders Group District 11
Veterans of America Chapter 11

Vets Jug raised \$870.

50/50 total was \$415, \$207 to the winner. Winning ticket was #1403492 and the winner donated the money back to Abate.

Break in meeting.

Start of regular meeting was at 8:35 PM.

New member, Al Richards from Rocky Point was welcomed.

Motion by Deb Stondell to accept the minutes as written, motion was seconded and approved.

Bill Quinn, treasurer, went over the accounts. Motion was made to accept the treasurers report, motion was seconded and approved.

Abate Christmas party on Friday, 12/15/23 from 7pm to 11pm at Frogzz Bar and Grill in Yaphank. Raffle baskets are due by 12/9/23.

Josephine recapped the 11/4/23 Tier Rats Run and recapped the 11/5/23 St. Mary's Runs which raised \$5000 + food and toys.

On 11/12/23 we donated turkeys at Fighter of Fire event.

Recap of the 11/12/23 LI Hog Vets Home visit.

Nomination of Donna Fowler for Membership.

Bill Quinn declined the nomination of Treasurer but Deb Stondell nominated Sherill Hart which was 2nd and approved. Sherill Hart accepted the nomination.

2nd VP nomination for Josephine Leonardi which was 2nd and accepted.

VP nomination for Nick LaMorte which was 2nd and accepted.

President nomination or Chris Beckhans which was 2nd and accepted.

Positions to fill:

Road Caption – Joe Pizzo stepped down.

Donations Coordinator

Products

12/16/23 from 3pm to 7pm is the Bikers for Christ Christmas party.

12/16/23 wreath placements at LI National Calverton cemetery.

There are 9 driver's ed classes for December.

There is no December meeting.

Open Floor:

-11/19/23 from 10AM to 12PM in Sayville giving out turkeys to veterans.

-12/3/23 LI Hog Toy Run.

Reports by:

1st VP-Nick

2nd VP-Josephine

Treasurer – Bill

Legislative/MRF – Deb

Safety – Nick

Membership – Donna

Public Relations – Josephine

Website/Newsletter – Margaret

Road Captain – Joe P

Volunteer Coordinator – Gary

Products – Kathy / Donna

Motion #4 by Deb Stondell to adjourn the meeting. Motion was seconded and all were in favor.

Meeting ended.