

ECMC Open General Meeting Minutes – 1st July 2015

Present: EC, DS, GK, CA, MW, EM, SL, JM, AG, WC, GP, ED(a)
On Phone: MM(a)

Absent: GD
Guests: KK, Ruben

Meeting called to order 8:03 PM by President EC

Motion to accept June 2015's Meeting Minutes made by MW, GP 2nd (passed)

Officer's Reports

President (EC)

- TR's application for membership has been rescinded to issues with drug addiction.
- Although weather for the Annual Biker Picnic was unstable, good time for all.

Vice President (DS)

- Impressed with Bike Blessing attendance. WC will produce and mail certificates.
- Great job at Folsom Street East – thanks for your hard work. All photos mailed out.
- Upcoming events:
 - o 10 OCT: 51st Anniversary Dinner
 - o 16-18 OCT: Harbour Masters' Weekend (Maine)
 - o 16 JAN 16: Barnight at DC Eagle
- All ECMC events are in our calendar at <http://calendar.EmpireCityMC.com>

Road Captain (GK)

- Due to GP's wrist surgery and rider unavailability 9/11 Flight 93 Ride to be pushed out in order to make it a two-night ride. CA to let Don know.
- Upcoming rides:
 - o 01 AUG: Dilly's & Poolside at The Raven
 - o 02 AUG: Gia Gelatto & Polar Cub Ice Cream
 - o 27 AUG – 01 SEP: Toronto Trip (6 days). EM, JM, MM, CA, KK, Dave P (UK)
 - o 18-20 SEP: Rehoboth Beach/Ocean City Bike Week (3 days)
 - o 18-28 SEP: Loop-the-Lake (10 days)
 - o 11 OCT: Concrete Canyon Run (?)
- Six Flags NJ Trip to be discussed on conference call, 15 JUL.
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- Road Captain annual certification still due for DG and MC(a)

Secretary (CA)

- Mail call: A nice card and \$50 donation from our Emeritus Member, Emil
- As PO Box fee is very high (\$154), a **MOTION** was raised by CA that Empire City MC officially change our address to MW's Manhattan address. 2nd EC (passed). Please note that our new address shall be:

**Empire City MC
10 W 15th St, Suite 609
New York, NY 10011-6821**

- Note: MW shall alert the Secretary whenever postal mail has arrived; however, it is the Secretary's job to open and distribute the postal mail unless it is addressed directly to MW.
- Thank you cards signed and to be mailed.
- Rumbings newsletter will be transmitted 8th July, please submit any articles now

Treasurer (MW)

- Presentation of finances
- Biker's Picnic budget review (under budget)
- Backpatch supplies low. Move to new business.

A motion to accept officer's reports made by WC, GP 2nd

Committee Reports

AMCC Representative (EM)

- EM gave MW AMCC patches
- The 179th AMCC meeting shall take place at the Harbour Masters' Run in October

Social Committee (EC, MM, EM, AG, DS, CA, JM, MW)

- MW spoke with Dee (president of the Sirens MC) at Stonewall Pride March. Event to take place after riding season is over.

Inventory Committee (EC, DS, MW, CA, MM, AG, WC)

- We will choose some dates on the upcoming teleconference call (15 JUL) and provide the dates to MW to choose one that works so we can go to Mark's house in Flemington, NJ to review club inventory and resolve (meaning get rid of items no longer in good condition or non-essential)

Constitution & Bye-Laws Committee (AG, CA, SL)

- This committee was formed in New Business (below)

Old Business

- Friendship Pins have been ordered, paid for and are in production. Expect to see them by next meeting.
- DS/AG to present ideas regarding charity events and how we can partner up and contribute.

New Business

- We are running low on backpatches. CA provided with a virgin backpatch to obtain price quotes.
- Our associate member, ED(a) has applied for a transfer to full member status. A flurry of motions and withdrawals were made due to questions of interpretation of the Constitution and Bye-Laws. Only motions that were not withdrawn are shown here:
- A **MOTION** was made by AG to accept ED(a)'s application. GK 2nd (passed)
- A **MOTION** was made by AG allow three months pledge for full membership to be inclusive with associate membership period for ED(a). DS 2nd (passed)
- A **MOTION** was made by EM to make ED(a) a full member. JM 2nd (passed)
- ED(a) was presented with full membership insignia.
- The Constitution and Bye-Laws Committee needs to be reassembled to address certain errors and/or omissions. AG, CA and SL have volunteered to serve and will report to the membership next OGM.

Comments on the record (good & welfare)

- JM: Thanks for a great time at Pride!!
- The next club conference call will be on Wednesday, 15th July 2015 starting at 8 PM
- The next Open General Meeting will be Wednesday, 6th August 2015 from 8-9 PM at "The Centre" at 208 West 13th Street, NYC.

Comments off the record

- Not recorded.

Adjournment

Motion to close meeting made by AG, GP 2nd

Meeting closed at 09:16 PM