

ECMC Open General Meeting Minutes – March 1, 2017

| | Officers | Members | Guests |
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| Present: | Chaz A. – President Ed C. – Vice President Brian V. – Road Captain Mike M. – Treasurer Aaron G. – Secretary | Earl D. Loki D. Geno K. Scott L. Mario L. Joe M. Eddie M. William P. Darryl S. Mark W. | Jack D. Tom H. K. K. Tony P. |
| Absent: | | Steve G. | |

Meeting called to order at 8:03 P.M. by President Chaz A.

Motion to accept the minutes from the February 1, 2016 Open General Meeting: Joe M., 2nd by Darryl S. (P)

Officer's Reports:

President's Report:

- President Chaz A. extended congratulations from ECMC to Ed "Evil" C and his partner, Tony P. and William P. and his partner, Allyn S. on their recent matrimonies.

Vice President's Report:

- V.P. Ed C. reminded club members of the Pennsmen Run scheduled for March 3-5, 2017 in Harrisburg Pennsylvania.
- Chaz A. and Ed C. reported that the club will hosting a bar-night at the D.C. Eagle on Friday, June 10, 2017 during the weekend of the LGBTQ National Pride March in Washington D.C. The event coincides with D.C. Pride weekend.
- The following upcoming ECMC events are confirmed:
 - June 16, 2017 ECMC Bike Blessing at Ty's.
 - June 17, 2017 ECMC Bikers Picnic. (Location TBD at a later time.)
 - June 18, 2017 ECMC attending, but not participating in Folsom Street East.
 - December 2, 2017 ECMC 53rd Annual Holiday Party & Toy Drive at the Stonewall Inn.

All events posted to the ECMC calendar at <http://calendar.EmpireCityMC.com> by Chaz A.

V.P. Road Captain's Report:

- The following upcoming rides are confirmed:
 - April 6-9, 2017 Bears, Biker & Mayhem (Gettysburg, PA)
 - April 30, 2017 HOGS for Hope [rain date: May 7, 2017] (Croton-on the Hudson, NY)
 - May 26-29, 2017 ECMC's Motorcycle Weekend (Hemlock, NY)
 - June 4, 2017 New Jersey Pride Parade (Asbury Park, NJ)
 - June 10, 2017 Ride to Washington D.C. for the National Pride March & Protest (New York to Washington, D.C.)
 - June 17, 2017 ECMC's Biker Picnic (Location TBD at a later time.)
 - June 25, 2017 Gay Pride Ride (New York, NY)

- Road Captain, Brian V requested club members present their license, registration and proof of insurance for the 2017 riding-season as soon as possible.
- Chaz A. planned ECMC's return to Montreal Pride for a second year. The ECMC Montreal Pride trip is scheduled for August 17-21, 2017.

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Secretary's Report:

- The April ECMC newsletter, which will be published on or about April 5, 2017.
- Darryl S. will be the "Meet the Member" for the April ECMC Newsletter.

Treasurer's Report:

- Mike M. reported on the club's finances and account activity.
- Mike M. reminded the remaining club members to pay their 2017 annual club dues.

Motion to accept all of the Officers' Reports: Darryl S., 2nd by Mark W. (P)

Committee Reports:

AMCC Representative:

- Eddie M will be attending the next AMCC meeting scheduled for March 3-5, 2017 and hosted by the Pennsmen in Harrisburg PA. Chaz A., Ed C., Mike M. and Earl D. and will also be attending the AMCC meeting
- The club's still needs to request AMCC's opinion on the donation of other club's colors to the Leather Archive.

Archive Committee:

- Chaz A. reported that the club's archive efforts are now scheduled to conclude by April of 2017.

Memorial Day Motorcycle Weekend:

- Memorial Day Motorcycle Weekend is scheduled for May 26-29, 2017 at the Ranch in Hemlock NY. The event is advertised on the ECMC website and in the February/March ECMC Newsletter. The event is limited to 25 guests at \$40.00 per person and arrival is by motorcycle ONLY.

2017 ECMC Calendar Committee:

- Aaron G. reported that calendars cost \$443.67 to have 100 calendars made and the club sold 56 at \$10.00 per calendars, which meant a profit \$116.33. It was suggested the remaining 2017 calendars become promotional giveaways at ECMC events during the next few months.

54th Annual Holiday Party:

- The Stonewall Inn is possible venue for the 54th Annual Holiday Party. More information to come shortly.

Social Committee:

- Chaz A. reported on the fun time that was had at “Modern Pinball” Event will be held on Friday, February 24, 2017 at Modern Pinball New York NY.
- Gabriel R. President of Excelsior MC NYC proposed “Gulliver’s Gate” as a possible future event co-planned by ECMC and Excelsior MC.

2017 Biker Weekend (Biker Blessing & Biker Picnic):

- The ECMC Biker Blessing will be held at Ty’s on Christopher Street on Friday, June 16, 2017 in New York City.
- The proposed location for the ECMC Biker Picnic is Eddie M’s Cabin in Quakertown PA. The Picnic is scheduled for Saturday, June 17, 2017.

Old Business:

- ECMC received the bill for the meeting room at the LBGT Center and the bill has been paid.
- Aaron G. reported that the receipt for Atspace.com was paid. Receipt for reimbursement is forthcoming.
- Leather cheese-graters were ordered and Eddie M. submitted the bill to Mike M. for payment. Eddie M. reported that vinyl cheese-graters are currently not an option.
- Chaz A. will follow-up on the “Advanced Rider Safety Course”. Mark W. will follow-up on the “Harley-Davidson Rusty Rider Course”.

New Business:

- K.K. and Tony P. designed and presented options for t-shirts to be worn by partners and spouses of ECMC members at ECMC events, which included a “modernized” version of the ECMC logo. Use of the ECMC logo in this manner and for this purpose required a ¾ vote by the ECMC membership. Motion for K.K. and Tony P. to use the ECMC logo in this manner and for this purpose made by Earl D., 2nd by Loki D. (P)
- Tom H. of the Rider Motorcycle Club of Boston MA expressed interest in riding with ECMC to Washington D.C. for the LGBTQ National Pride March weekend in June. Riding routes TBD. Brian V. will coordinate with Ross H who is the Road Captain for Rider Motorcycle Club of Boston.

Comments on the Record:

- The next ECMC conference call scheduled March 15, 2017 at 8:00 P.M.
- The next ECMC Open General Meeting will be held on Wednesday April 5, 2017 at 8:00 P.M. at The Center located at 208 West 13th Street, New York, N.Y. Ed. C will host the April meeting.

Comments off the Record:

- Not recorded.

Adjournment of Open General Meeting:

- Motion to close the March 1, 2017 Open General Meeting at 8:53 P.M. made by Joe M., 2nd by Mark W. (P).