

Empire City MC Open General Meeting, 1st May 2019 – Minutes

Meeting called to order at 20:03

Roll call: Full members: Aaron G, Chaz A, Scot L, Mark W, Joe M. Excused full members: Erik R, Geno K, Michael M. AWOL full members: Mario L

Guests: K.K.

There were no minutes for April's meeting. Scot took notes, where are they? Scot says he just found the notes from April's meeting and will transcribe them to minutes and present them to Chaz before June's meeting.

Aaron holds proxies for Geno K and Erik R, Joe M holds proxy for Michael M

55th Anniversary Committee

Anniversary committee re-cap by all, presented in the minutes in chronological order of event, not randomly as presented in the meeting:

21st June – Bike Blessing. Chaz contacted Ty's, awaiting return call from John, whom just 30 days prior had 12-hour spinal surgery.

22nd June – Biker Picnic. Location has not yet been decided; however, in order to keep effort and expenses within reason, Chaz suggested that we meet at Mark's home, ride to Dilly's for a club-paid lunch, then return to Mark's to chill. Mark is checking with Terry to see if this will work for him – if not, there are other options, possibly The Raven (if they still exist!), Mark is checking in to that as well! Final decisions will be made at next meeting.

23rd June – Folsom Street East. Aaron has arranged a double-booth and tent rental for the event. FSE will be two blocks long this year. Tom Eversmann (FSE Committee, Delta member and friend of Chaz) will ensure that we have premium location for the event. Joe will check to see what give away materials we still have in his storage. K.K. indicated that he is holding some of the MSF magnets and stuff. We are considering not doing the photography this year but allowing people to take their own photos. Recap in June's meeting.

30th June – Gay Pride March. Everyone who plans to ride needs to register now! There is limited space. The registration page is <http://bit.ly/2019worldpride>

1st-4th August – United 93/Three Rivers/Arktos Run. Chaz has reserved the entire dual-air-conditioned 8-bed (4 bunks) near the pool at Freedom Valley Campground. Chaz will be polling people to see who is going on this four-day trip shortly, ECMC members have 1st priority, then Three Rivers, then others.

16th-19th August – Gay Pride Montréal. (Not discussed this month.)

7th-15th September – ECMC 55th Anniversary Road Trip to P-Town. Before making reservations and putting down deposits, we need solid commitments from members. Chaz will be polling people to see who is going on this week-long trip shortly, ECMC members and spouses have 1st priority, then others.

19th-22nd September – Cycle for the Cause AIDS Rids. (Not discussed this month.)

11th-13th October – ECMC's 55th Anniversary In-Town Run and Dinner Cruise. It's obvious that with the lack of the AMCC meeting, we won't make the required head count for Prestige Yacht, and the smaller boat was far too costly as well; therefore, it has been decided that we shall not have a dinner cruise. Several other choices were floated:

- Aaron: Hold an event in a private space in NYC. Aaron and others will look into spaces and contacts they know to present options.
- Chaz: Invade a nearby city like Philly, Boston or Hartford. Possibly work with a bar or club to have a biker party. Let's hash out on telecon.

7th December – Holiday Party & Toy Drive. (Not discussed this month.)

Officer's Reports

President & Vice-President

ECMC's 8th Annual Memorial-Day Motorcycle Weekend is upon us. Members who desire to go need to register now! Register online at <https://ecmc-mw-2019.eventbrite.com> or call Chaz today!

Some follow-ups we need to deal with still:

- AMCC Rep is officially Michael M; however, we'd like a 2nd person in the seat to help Michael as needed, considering everything that's going on with him right now.
- What is Evil Ed's Status? Chaz to follow-up with Evil Ed on this.
- Associate Member participation requirements and motorcycle certification.
- Ensuring transition of treasurer materials and knowledge from Michael to Scot.

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Road Captain

Please remember to have Joe check your motorcycle documentation prior to riding with us as a group. This is a requirement!

A discussion about the Hogs4Hope ride route was held, if there are any questions about where you're meeting up with us, please call/text Joe.

Secretary

The next newsletter will be published on Wednesday, 8th May 2019. Please send any articles, photos, commentary, etc to ChazAntonelli@gmail.com

Treasurer

A summary of ECMC's financial and accounts activities was not presented, transfer of duties and audit have not taken place at this time. This needs to be addressed this month. Payments to members and ex-members have been stalled for some time now.

A MOTION was made by Scot for the club to spend up to \$75 to purchase confetti guns for the parade (via K.K.), 2nd by Mark. (passed)

Old Business

Are there any outstanding member dues? We don't know at this time – once transfer of treasurer to Scot is completed, we should have more insight.

New Business

A MOTION was made by Joe for the club to order 2,500 club business cards with our website, not any physical address, 2nd by Scot. (passed) Chaz will develop new business cards and present proof copy to e-board before ordering.

Joe has club property in his home he would like moved. A short discussion was held on this issue and we will discuss more on the teleconference.

The experimental Google "Hangouts" for use as our conference line has been a dismal failure. Chaz will revert conference to WebEx prior to this month's teleconference. Please see the new call-in number and passcode on the Empire City MC official Google Calendar at <http://calendar.EmpireCityMC.com>

Comments on the Record

Mark needed to leave early due to work obligations.

Chaz will mail a get-well card to John (Ty's) on behalf of the club.

The next club teleconference will take place on Wednesday, 15th May at 20:00. Please make every effort to dial in as we shall discuss many important business items, events and rides.

The next OGM will be at 20:00 on Wednesday, 5th June at The Centre.

A motion to close the meeting was made Chaz A, 2nd by Scot L. Meeting closed at 20:53.

Comments off the record

Not recorded.