



Empire City Motorcycle Club of NYC

Open General Meeting Minutes – July 6, 2022

Call to Order @ 2002hrs

Attendees

Board Members: Erik R, Earl D, Gary P, Jack D.

Full Members: Scot L, Mark W.

Associates: Jay D, Lewis K, Mark B.

Guest: Peter G, Alex, Tim M, Alex, K.K.

Excused: Chaz A.

*If you join the meeting after Roll Call, please announce yourself to the Secretary to be included in attendance.

Attendance (Secretary), determine quorum – Yes

Announcement of Proxies –Yes

Approval of the Minutes from last month's Open General Meeting

1st Mark W.

2nd Erik R.

Motion Passed

Officer's reports

President (Erik R.) Welcome message to all in attendance, and important ECMC club messages.

Vice President (Earl D.)

• Past Events:

June 17, 2022, Bike Blessing, Time 6pm(1800hrs)-9pm(2100hrs) Approx 15 bikes in attendance, 7 bikes Christened per owners faith request, all bikes blessed. Fun night and comradery. Documentarist attended.

June 18, 2022, 0900-1700hrs Biker Picnic (Ride & Event) Thank you to Mark & Terry for hosting!! Thank you card sent. The weather was cool @ 70 degrees Fahrenheit, too cold for the pool, no one took the polar plunge. The documentarist was in attendance following our riders from NYC to Mark & Terry's, and performed aerial drone footage in addition to a car camera. Issues raised regarding set-up and clean-up for future picnics.

June 26, 2022, (Ride & Event) Heritage Pride Parade, Erik R. gave update. Great to return to the parade. Thank you to K.K. and his ECMC Marshalls, especially the ECMC banner carriers, that had to jog the route in 90 degree heat.

• Upcoming Events:

October 8, 2022, ECMC 58th Anniversary Dinner

December 03, 2022, ECMC 59th Annual Holiday Party & Gift Drive

****The NYC Eagle would like to do an event with our club inside the bar, motorcycles in the bar. Details (TBD) Update: Earl D. to follow-up with Eagle.**

Road Captain (Chaz A.) Report by Erik R.

- It's Annual Certification time. As you get your bike(s) back on the road, please send photos of your registration, licence, insurance and (if applicable) inspection certificate to Road-Captain@empirecitymc.com – this is applicable to ALL levels of membership *except* emeritus and reserve.

Update: Members insurance and registration information is needed prior to any riding with ECMC: Information needed from Michael M, Joe M, Aaron G, Ed C, & Mike C.

• Past Rides:

June 4, 2022, Ride for Life

June 18, 2022, ECMC Annual Picnic (Ride & Event)

• Upcoming Rides:

July 9, 2022, Emilio Carranza Memorial & Wreath laying

- ECMC is interested in laying of a wreath @ the Emilio Carranza Memorial July 9, 2022 @ 1:00pm The wreath would be part of one of about 10 wreaths being laid that day, ECMC would lay one for the citizens of NYC in honor of Emilio.

Update: contact made with Mt Holly American Legion Post 11 Mark Murdy phone # 609-744.3900, email mdj12@comcast.net arrival time 12:30pm, wreath cost approx. \$80 – local florist.

Update:

Motion by Chaz A. to spend up to \$100 for a wreath to be laid at this memorial service.

2nd Erik R.

Motion Approved

Gary P. outreached to the organizer of this event that we are planning to attend (weather permitting) and to place a wreath representing the citizens of NYC. This event happens rain or shine, if our club is rained out the organizers will lay the wreath and mention our organization. Wreath provided by: The Flower Junction [Address](#): 708 Main St, Lumberton, NJ 08048 [Phone](#): (609) 261-3002 This is approx. a 1.5hr service. Post event included refreshments and music at the local high school, this has not occurred since Covid, a lunch destination will be the back-up plan at [Billy Boy's Four Mile Tavern](#) 12 Rt 72, Woodland Township, NJ 08019.

Update: Cost is \$93.00 for the wreath, ride map developed meet up spot Valero gas station in Bordentown on Route 206 @ 11:15am 1115hrs, just off the Bordentown exit of the New Jersey Turnpike, KSU at Valero 11:30, 1130hrs. All plans in place for wreath laying, head count of riders to occur during July 6, 2022. If food and music celebration does not occur afterwards, backup plan for lunch is to occur @ Billy Boys Four Mile Tavern. **NYC travelers from Christopher St. in NYC to the Valero gas station in Bordentown is approx. 1:15 minutes on I95.

Update: Jack D. To contact the florist directly to make payment for wreath.



July 15-17, 2022

Michael Conley & LI Ravens proposal: We have a date and a location set for a pool party/BBQ on July 16th, to be held at pledge's home in Southhampton, NY.

It could be a good destination for ride from NYC/Jones Beach/Point Lookout to Southhampton, with overnight billeting for up to 16 people/bikers. John Douglas, who Mark Wind knows and has attended yours and several other club events in NYC, is the host. The Ravens would manage the food shop and preparation. His property is semiprivate and would be set up for up to 40 guests. His driveway is loose gravel and can fit 10-12 bikes easily.

I know Aaron lives close by in Sag Harbor and may be able to add additional housing if he's available/amiabile.

Staying over Saturday would allow for an early morning bike trip to Montauk Lighthouse and return to NY before Hamptonites trek back in the afternoon.

Tentative riders and guests: Lewis K, Tim M, Chaz A, Erik R, Uri R, Scot L.

July 30-31, 2022 ABBA hologram tour with live 10-piece band, price is \$113-\$507, Sunday July 31, 2021 @ 7Pm, Lancaster PA. Stay over at caboose motel.

Update: This is Chaz A. Birthday weekend, and the club has agreed to move forward with this event and ride. Accommodations will be at the Red Caboose Motel (space is limited, book asap). Maybe we can sneak another ride behind the 611 train. Confirmed: (Chaz A, KK, Erik R, Uri R, Gary P.)

August 18-23, 2022, Montreal Trip (Gay Pride occurring earlier in August)

Update: Tentative plans currently, leave NYC Thursday August 18, 2022, for overnight in Lake George NY area. Friday August 19, 2022, continue onto Montreal. Monday August 22, 2022, leave Montreal for Lake George NY for overnight. Tuesday August 23, 2022, return to NYC.

Confirmed: (Erik R, Chaz A, Uri R, KK)

August 26-27-28, 2022, [Find Unique Lodging Along PA Route 6! - PA Route 6 Alliance](#)

Update: Ideas, routes, sights, diners, breweries...Input welcome. Gary P. and Lewis K. started route planning possibilities to accommodate as many bikers as possible from 3 corners of PA.



Sept 1-6, 2022, Delta Run #28 Oxford, PA

September 10, 2022, midnight ride @ Ground Zero NYC.



September 16-17, 2022, Cranberry Bog/Hindenburg Crash site ride in S. NJ two hour guided tour of Hindenburg site. Update: head count is needed 4 weeks prior to the event in order to gain access onto the active military base, maybe reduce the guided tour time to 1 hour??

Update: August 3rd meeting, head count with names needed to gain access to Hindenburg site.

Update: PhiladelphiansMC Captain Phil Lane ph. # 215.771.1428 asked if ECMC would like to do dinner together followed by a bar night @ The Bike Stop on Sat. Sept 16, 2022.

ECMC response was yes. Details TBD. Request to Phil for 7-7:30 dinner as we will be riding during the day. Any riders with PhiladelphiansMC would be welcome to join us. We may be able to do a motorcycle line-up in front of the Bike Stop if no shows @ the Forrest Theatre that evening.

Update: The Hindenburg tour does not coincide with our ride and will be removed.



September 24, 2022, Working Safety HSS Benefit Bicycle Ride. Requirements are for 6 riders to provide safety at intersections for bicycle riders. This is a non stressful event.

September 25, 2022, Progressive Motorcycle show. 10:00am(1000hrs)-5:00pm(1700hrs) Nassau Veterans Memorial Coliseum, 1255 Hempstead Turnpike, Uniondale, NY11553

September 29, 2022, Mates Leather Weekend XXV

December 02, 2022, Excelsior MC Trim-A-Tree

Secretary (Gary P.)

- The next newsletter will be sent on Wednesday July 13, 2022. Please submit articles to Chaz A. by Monday July 11, 2022.
- Messages to/from other clubs and organizations:
Update: Thank you cards needed for Annual MC Weekend in Pittsburgh weekend for the Baker (names and address needed). Update: All thank you cards sent.
- **Birthdays for July:**
Chaz A. July 29, 1966, ChazAntonelli@gmail.com cell #347.491.9887
- **ECMC Club Anniversary in July:**
Chaz A. July 2008, Earl D. 2015, Charles S. 1976

- Constitution & By-law review upon request or you can simply view online at our ECMC website.

Treasurer (Jack D.)

Presentation of club's finances, sent separately by Jack D. See separate report.

Dues are due for 2022, payments can be either monthly. Dues and other financial issues can be paid directly to ECMC @ the following.

Update: Mark W. & Terry reimbursement for picnic in process.

Link: Zelle@EmpireCityMC.com

Outstanding member dues: Joe M, Michael C. Update: Earl to outreach to Joe M. as he is out of compliance with our By-laws.

Motion to accept Officer's Report:

1st Gary P.

2nd Mark W.

Motion Passed

Committee Reports

T-shirt fundraiser project, goal is to be available by June 2022.

Update: Peter Matheson Gay (Referred by Erik R.) is familiar with this type of project and has offered his assistance. Peter's contact information Cell # 917.498.2235 email

peter.m.gay@gmail.com Update Peter G. presented 3 different t-shirt designs to be used for our T-shirt fundraising efforts. Our club members suggested having the shirts on hand to sell vs online sales. The original goal was to have these available for Folsom Street East event if we do a tent. Due to gang related issues #2 design was axed. A favorable idea mentioned is design #1 on the back of the shirt, and design #3 on the left breast. In order to keep the cost down by doing white/grey print (1-2 color) on a black shirt. Another idea was to sell @ bars. Update: Peter G. to create a mock-up and develop cost per shirt. ECMC agreed #1 to be on the back of shirt and #3 to be left breast/centered/ or left sleeve. Kudos!

Motion: As previously decided, the Empire City MC t-shirt will be printed on black cotton and will feature a white design appearing on the front (an Empire City MC word mark), and another white design on the back (motorcycle with NY city skyline). The Committee has sourced a printing vendor who has provided us with an estimate to produce our shirts. Depending on the final size allotments, the budget needed to cover the printing and shipping of 100 t-shirts is estimated not to exceed \$900. At this price, each shirt costs \$9. This cost breakdown will give ample room if the club wants to sell the t-shirts as a charitable fundraiser.

The following is the proposed t-shirt sizing breakdown of the printing order:

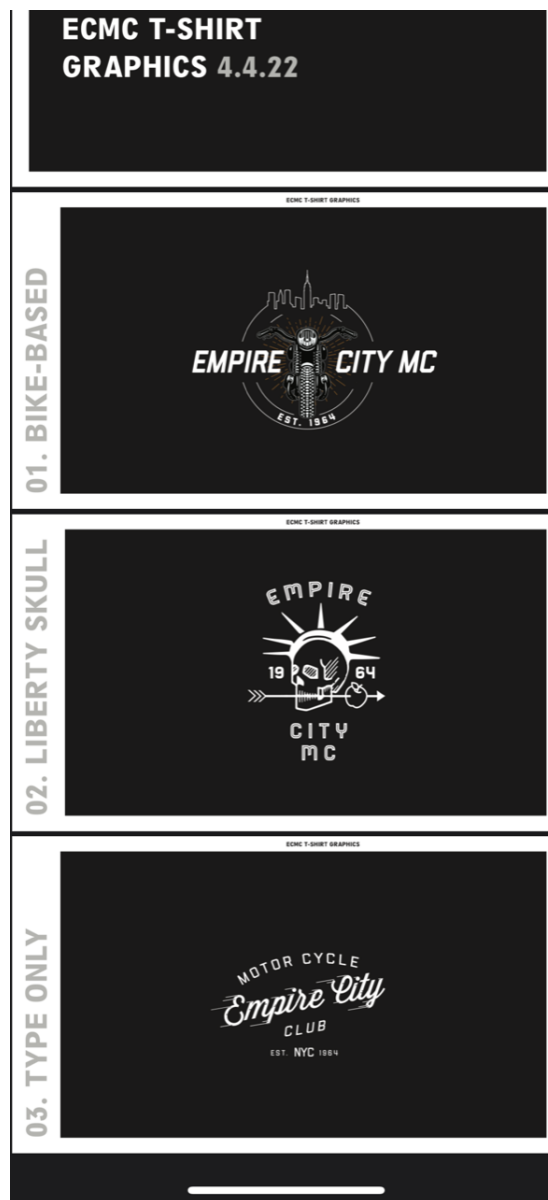
- 10 small, 30 medium, 30 large, 20 xl, 10 xxl

1st Gary P.

2nd Earl D.

Motion Passed

Update: Thank you card for Peter G's Supervisor that did our t-shirt design free of charge. Address and name needed.



AMCC Representative (Michael M.)



Next AMCC meeting dates:

AMCC meeting number #199 to be held 9/10/2022 during Bucks 50th Anniversary weekend. -For AMCC meeting attendance: Zoom Meeting ID# 81526920269 Password is 1976, AMCC President's cell – 207.939.4797

Excelsior MC: No upcoming events

Long Island Ravens: Update: July 15-17, 2022

Bucks MC: Sept 9-11, 2022, their 50th Anniversary to be held @ Rehoboth Beach DE

PhiladelphiansMC have returned to live in-person bar nights at the Bike Stop. This occurs on the 2nd Saturday of each month.

Three Rivers Leather Club: Nothing on AMCC calendar

Pennsmen: The Pennsmen 46th Anniversary & AMCC 200th Meeting will be held from 2/24/23-2/26/23 in Harrisburg, PA.

Update: Michael M. to resign as AMCC representative effective immediately, Erik R. has volunteered to take over his duties.

ECMC Archive Project (Chaz A)

- Historic ECMC documents remain with Chaz, awaiting scanning. (TBD)

Old Business:

Jay D. has submitted his formal request to upgrade his membership from associate level to full member. Per by-law review: Vote to occur at next meeting in July to accept Jay D. as a full member or he remains an associate for 1 years' time, then can re-apply. If you are unable to attend July's meeting, please send in your proxy vote.

Update: Jay D. has been approved to become a full member. He desires 2 sets of patches(deposit \$50), no cheese grater at this time.

Peter Gay has announced his intentions to become a full member of ECMC!! Erik R. to share pledge and process information with Peter.

Update: Peter G. has been approved to become a pledge and follow the pledge process outlined in the by-laws. Effective July 6, 2022.

New Business:

Lewis K. has submitted his formal request to upgrade his membership from associate level to full member. Per by-law review: Vote to occur at next meeting in August to accept Lewis K.. as a full member or he remains an associate for 1 years' time, then can re-apply. If you are unable to attend the August meeting, please send in your proxy vote.

Comments on the record

- Our next Open General Meeting will be on Aug. 3, 2022, at 2000hrs(8pm).
- Next Social Teleconference will be on July 20, 2022, at 2000hrs(8pm).

Links to join the meetings are located on the ECMC calendar.

Motion to close the meeting:

1st Mark W.

2nd Gary P.

Motion Approved

Comments off the record: They are off the record.