

# Empire City MC Open General Meeting, 3<sup>rd</sup> August 2022 - Minutes

Meeting called to order at 20:04 via teleconference

## Roll call:

Full members: Erik R, Chaz A, Jay D, Scot L, Michael M, Jack D, Mark W, Earl D [T]; Associate members: Lewis K, Mark B; Pledges: Peter G; Guests: Tim M, K.K., Alex G, Snake, Uri R; Excused: Gary P (proxy: Chaz A).

A MOTION to accept the Secretary's minutes from last month's OGM was made by Chaz A, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mark W.

## **Officer's Reports**

### President (Erik R)

- No urgent issues.

### Vice-President (Earl D)

Past Events:

- None

Upcoming Events:

- 16<sup>th</sup>-18<sup>th</sup> September - Philadelphia road-trip and joint barnight with the Philadelphians. Earl has spoken with the Philadelphians and three of their members are interested in going to dinner at Knock with us – Earl will make reservations for 12 at 19:00 on 17 September. Afterward, a barnight at The Bike Stop will be held, details forthcoming. No 50/50; however, with the bar's permission, ECMC might sell Jell-O Shots.
- 8<sup>th</sup> October - ECMC 58<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Dinner in New York City. Earl will plan this event and report back with options.
- 3<sup>rd</sup> December – ECMC 59<sup>th</sup> Annual Toy Drive. Earl will reach out to Stonewall Inn to ensure the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor is secure for this date, similar to last year's festivities.

Earl has been chatting with the NYC Eagle and they would love to have an event featuring ECMC and perhaps a few motorcycles inside. An A.M.A. (Ask Me Anything) barnight with Empire City MC was suggested to take place at 22:00 on 8<sup>th</sup> October, following our Anniversary Dinner. Earl will chat with the NYC Eagle management and arrange and/or get back to us on this barnight suggestion.

### Road Captain (Chaz A)

Past Rides:

- 9<sup>th</sup> July - Emilio Carranza Memorial & Wreath laying was attended by Erik and Gary. Well received and plan to do this again

for years to come. A friendship pin was given to the General in charge of the Mexican Air Force!

- 16<sup>th</sup>-17<sup>th</sup> July – “Eastbound and Down! RIDE LI 22!” was a smashing success with members of both ECMC and the L.I. Ravens, plus a handful of others! Lots of fun for everyone. **NOTE to secretary: Please send thank you cards to our hosts and the L.I. Ravens.**
- 29<sup>th</sup> July – 1<sup>st</sup> August - ABBA hologram tour & Chaz's birthday weekend attracted ECMC members and friends from all over! Many photos up on mewe.com. Prospect: Eric (Eric with a “C” was there and got to meet many members and ride a few times with us!)

Upcoming Rides:

- 18<sup>th</sup>-23<sup>rd</sup> August - Montréal Trip 2022 & Lake George, NY. At this time, only Erik and Chaz have committed to going. K.K. and Uri might be going. Lewis and Tim might be going.
- 26<sup>th</sup>-18<sup>th</sup> August – “Rt 6 Ride” postponed.
- 10<sup>th</sup> September – The “9/11 - 21st Anniversary Midnight Ride”. Meet at 22:00 near 4211 Northern Blvd, Long Island City, NY (you won't be able to miss the hoard of motorcycles!) Remember to put tape over your licence plate to prevent red-light cameras on West Side Highway. Don't forget to remove when done!
- 16<sup>th</sup>-18<sup>th</sup> September – “Philadelphia Weekend”, only the ride portion is covered under the Road Captain's report.
- 24 September - “Bike HSS Benefit Ride” – please be sure to register as MOTO crew on the HSS Ride website so we have a headcount! HSS is asking that we now please REGISTER (there is NO COST) at this link: <https://bikehss.org/index.cfm?fuseaction=register.start&eventID=519>
- 30<sup>th</sup> September – 2<sup>nd</sup> October - “Mates Leather Weekend” – to be covered in the Vice President's report next month.

Secretary (Gary P, Chaz A filling in)

- The next issue of the newsletter will be sent on Wednesday, 10<sup>th</sup> August 2022. Please submit articles to Chaz A by Monday, 8<sup>th</sup> August 2022.
- The secretary's supplies of notes, letters, cards and stamps have been exhausted. Gary is working with K.K. on a simple design of four different card/correspondent designs to send

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at club member's request. Upon completion, cost will be presented to e-board for approval for payment.

- There is no New Business

## Treasurer (Jack D)

- Presentation of the club's finances was made.
- Thanks to all who paid their dues
- Chaz will work with Jack on these issues:
  - Presentation/screen share at meeting (Zoom screen sizing issues).
  - Obtaining ECMC ATM/Debit Card

Motion to accept the Officer's Reports made by Mark W, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jay D.

## Committee Reports

### T-Shirt Project (Gary & Peter)

- **NOTE to secretary: Please send thank you card to Peter G's Supervisor who did our t-shirt design free of charge. (Address and name requested from Gary to Peter)**

### AMCC Rep (Michael M)

- The 199<sup>th</sup> meeting of AMCC is to be held 10<sup>th</sup> September 2022 at the Bucks MC 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary weekend.
- For AMCC meeting attendance, Zoom Teleconference meeting ID# 81526920269 Password is 1976, AMCC President's cell is +1 207 939-4797.

### ECMC Archive Project

- Still awaiting scanning.

## Old Business

- **[CLOSED SESSION]**
- Our Pledge, Peter G is up for his first month as Pledge and **A MOTION** was made to extend his Pledgeship another month. Motion passed.
- Our Associate Member, 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 this meeting in closed session. **[Post meeting: A MOTION was made to accept Lewis' request and has been honoured. Lewis K is now a FULL MEMBER of ECMC – congrats!]**

## New Business

## Comments on the Record

- Our next social teleconference will be 17<sup>th</sup> August 2022 at 20:00 via teleconference as shown in our calendar.
- Our next Open General Meeting will be 7<sup>th</sup> September 2022 at 20:00 via Zoom teleconference as shown in our calendar.
- Mark B is visiting Lewis and Tim in Pittsburgh and were proudly the first time ever that three persons attended an ECMC meeting in the buff (that we know of!) – Good show boys!

A motion to close the meeting was made by Mark W, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jay D. The meeting was closed at 20:43.

## Comments off the record

- Not recorded.

## Closed Session

- Reported under Old Business