

## 45-7 MINUTES FROM 03/21/2022

**Chapter Meeting:** Sheboygan Elks Lodge, 1943 Erie Ave, Sheboygan WI 53081

Start 1400 hours.

**Members in attendance:** Full Members: Todd "Trooper" Brehmer, Keith "Creedence" Jenks, Terry "Solo" Brodbeck, Pamela "FreeFall" Carlson, Steve "Chips" Wester, Nathan "Skinner" Lesperance, Stephen "Doc" Wimmer, Michael "Free Bird" Schmidt, Shawn "Hollywood" Bobbe, Ken "Demo" Perry, Kurt "6Gun" Carlson, James "Juggernaut" Rice, Andrew "Seabass" Swessel, Aaron "Bubbs" Kream. Aux Members: Michelle Brehmer, Vicki Perry, Stephanie Lesperance, Kiaha Swessel.

### **Pledge of Allegiance:**

### **Reports**

XO – No Report

Secretary – No Report. No new apps.

Treasurer

### **Treasury summary:** Steve "Chips" Wester

Balance as of March 20, 2022: \$6967.97

Expenditures:

Back patches	(\$90)
Chapter computer	(\$90)
Annual PO Box	(\$100)
Kim Fairchilds annual dues	(\$10)
Checking Account Balance:	\$6677.97
Cash on Hand	<u>\$106.00</u>
<b>Balance:</b>	<b>\$6783.97</b>

Public Relations Officer – No Report

Sergeant At Arms – "Solo" stated back patch was recovered and is the possession of the state Sergeant at Arms, Kraut.

Quartermaster – Skinner reported that a back patch and state meeting patches and rockers have been ordered.

Committees (if any)

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Lakeshore Run – 6-Gun handed out ride flyers for the chapter's ride set for July 31, 2022. Chapter members were encouraged to seek donations from businesses they frequent.

### **Old Business:**

Chapter Audit: The audit of chapter funds scheduled for 1300 on this date could not be completed due to the treasurer being unable to access the chapter's account via the on-line app for Associated Bank. The Audit was re-scheduled for April 10, 2022, at 1300 hours.

Region 4 Rally is scheduled for 07/23/2021 @ Resch Center Green Bay. Our chapter contributed \$500 towards operational expenses. Trooper stated that 45-3 thanked him for our chapter's \$500 contribution to help defray the expenses incurred preparing for the Regional Rally.

Referring to last month's discussion concerning our chapter making benevolent contributions to those in need, Doc stated that IRS regulations require a separate benevolent fund be established by the chapter instead of using funds from the chapter account.

August Chapter Ride – The Chapter Ride scheduled for August 2022 will be from Saturday, Aug 20 through Tuesday Aug 23. The ride will depart from Lena, WI to Munising Michigan, through the Eastern part of the Upper Peninsula of Michigan down across the Mackinac Bridge to Ludington, MI. Ride will culminate with passage on the Badger Ferry back to Manitowoc.

Fundraising – In order to help defray costs of the ride scheduled for August, our chapter will be conducting two brat fry events. All members who wish to go on the ride should plan on working at least one of the events.

The fundraising events will be April 23 2022 at Festival Foods in Manitowoc, and May 14 at the Piggly Wiggly in Two Rivers. A sign up sheet was developed and passed around to chapter members.

### **New Business:**

Trooper and Doc informed the chapter of the proper way the chapter benevolent fund should be handled through separate accounts. Changes and guidance for this will be forthcoming.

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State By-Laws: Trooper emailed the state by-laws to chapter members for review. Freebird talked about the committee developing them. Trooper called for a vote to approve the state by-laws. Creedence made the motion to approve the by-laws and 6Gun seconded the motion. All chapter members were in favor of approval. Motion passed.

Juggernaut (chapter webmaster) discussed the need to change our chapter's Facebook page from private to public. After the discussion, Creedence made a motion to change the FB status. 6Gun seconded the motion. All chapter members were in favor of the change. Motion passed.

Demo spoke to the chapter members of using the money application "Square" to process payments for our chapter. A discussion followed. More information to be presented on this item.

A discussion was started concerning an inner chapter competition to see who puts the most miles on during the riding season, most likely starting at the May chapter meeting and ending at the chapter meeting in October. More discussion and guidelines will be put forward during April's chapter meeting.

A discussion was held concerning a chapter meat raffle prior to the chapter ride on July 30. The purpose of the raffle would be to raise funds for our chapter so we can use those funds to support our local veterans. More information will be presented at our April meeting.

Trooper stated that our chapter will be responsible for hosting the state meeting in January of 2025. The general consensus was to host the event at the Blue Harbor Resort in Sheboygan.

Adjournment: There being no further business or discussion, the March chapter meeting was adjourned at 1545 hours.