

River City Chapter Meeting Minutes
January 12, 2006, Pennies Family Diner

Meeting called to order 7:00 pm by Coordinator Willie Stephensen

Roll Call/Quorum – 7 Members and 3 guests

Secretary's Report (minutes): ___ accepted ___ amended ___ not accepted

Treasurers Report:

Beginning Balance:	\$	<u>0</u>
Ending Balance:	\$	<u>0</u>
Holiday Fund:	\$	<u>0</u>

Membership Secretary's Report:

Current membership: 16

Guest Speaker: Curtis Krouse, Biker Information Guide (BIG)

Curtis informed members of a franchised magazine, entitled Biker Information Guide (BIG). The magazine is issued on a quarterly basis. Its first distribution will be in April 2006. It is Curtis's goal to make the Idaho BIG booklet the most comprehensive of all the state magazines thus far established. It is also free to the public.

<http://www.idahobikerinformationguide.com>.

Committee Reports:

Legislative: Tim

Tim handed out copies of the ANI (Legislative Preparedness Plan) Legislative Agenda, dated January 8, 2006. The Plan's intent is to implement and maintain a State Legislative Committee. Responsibilities will be to maintain contact with state and Federal legislators that represent ANI. The Committee will also work with every Chapter to establish a Legislative Affairs Contact(s). The Plan outlines a legislative course of action, duties, and responsibilities. It also reminds members, "membership alone does not guarantee our liberties without active participation and we must always pursue the support of our own State and Federal Representatives to that end." As a side, Tim also informed Chapter members the State ANI is now doing the Pledge of Allegiance at their meetings. Tim is looking for Legislative Committee members. Please contact him if you are interested or would like to know more.

**MOTION: Chapter to accept the January 8, 2006, Legislative Preparedness Plan
MOTION PASSED**

Safety & Education: Willie

The Committee is looking into transferring the vhs movie version onto dvd disc. There is also an idea to have an S&E Kit. The kit would contain the movie (vhs & dvd), handout materials, etc. so whoever did an S&E presentation, they would have everything needed. The kit would also help other Chapters do their S&Es. At the moment, our Chapter is looking at Post Falls and Lakeland schools to schedule an S&E. Tim added the weekly paper Rathdrum Star would be willing run pictures and give us a bit of press. Willie is looking for Safety & Education Committee members. Please contact him if you are interested.

Run/Events: Greg

Greg updated members on the May Awareness Run at the I-90 east bound Huetter Rest Area/Weigh Station. The potential date will be either May 13 or May 14 from Sun up to sun down. Traditionally the Run has been on Mother's Day, May 14. Tim gave Greg

Idaho Transportation Department Liability Waivers for those wishing to participate. There is also an under 18 waiver. All participants must sign the appropriate waiver. We probably will be going to be offer free donuts, cookies, coffee, and handing out ANI pamphlets about ABATE. There will be a donation container. This will be a low-key event. We are going to the public to ask them to please keep an eye out for us (motorcycles). Greg is looking for Awareness Run Committee members. Please contact him if you are interested.

Charity & Fundraising: open

This Committee is in need of a Chairperson and members. Contact Willie if you are interested or would like more information.

Old Business:

- River City Chapter By-Laws are approved by the State (ANI). It is now time for the Chapter to approve them. Members were given a copy.

MOTION: Chapter accept the DRAFT January 11, 2006, ABATE of North Idaho River City Chapter By-Laws

MOTION PASSED (one abstention)

- River City Chapter Policy & Procedures were handout out to Chapter members. There will be formal writing down of policies as the Chapter agrees to them, such as Chapter motions, Chapter policies, etc. They will be numbered as they are written. R.C. recommended they be archived. It is hoped in the future there will be a Chapter manual in which this is kept also.

MOTION: Chapter accept the January 12, 2006 Policies and Procedures 06-1 through 06-04

MOTION PASSED (two abstentions)

- Checking Account - Treasurer R.C. Sherman, was given the paperwork to complete the establishment of the Chapter's bank account. Greg donated a photocopy his driver's license to get the signature cards going.
- Post Office Box Account -Treasurer R.C. Sherman. Both RC and TJ will each have a key to the PO Box. The Chapter owes Tim for the following expenditures:
 - \$19 for 6 month P.O. Box contract
 - \$ 2 for 2 keys
 - Total: \$21 (Tim to submit a receipt to the Treasurer)

New Business:

- Tim handed out to Chapter members a copy of the January 8, 2006, State of ABATE Address by Deputy Coordinator, Tim (TJ) Herzog.

Open Forum or Announcements:

- Willie – Hopefully everyone had an opportunity to read thru the River City Chapter, Rogue Review that was emailed to members on December 24, 2005. If you haven't given me your email address, please get them to me and/or the Chapter Secretary, Anne.
- Greg offered his place to hold Chapter meetings.

50/50 Draw: Greg won the pot with lucky number 630025! He kept \$2 and donated the remaining monies to the Chapter's Funds.

Adjournment