

River City Chapter Meeting Minutes
March 9th, 2006, Pennies Family Diner

Call to Order/Introductions at 7:15p
Roll Call/Quorum – 12 Members and 2 Guests

Secretary's Report (minutes): accepted

Treasurers Report: Update on Chapter checking account.

Beginning Balance \$*.00

Ending Balance \$*.50

Holiday Fund \$____ (RC has been forgetting to separate \$\$ out from total funds)

Membership Secretary's Report: Current membership: 22

Guest Speaker: None

Committee Reports:

Legislative; Tim

Idaho Senate Bill 1367. The Bill has passed the Senate.

Other legislative information. Jim Hammond, Sites, and Sheila Sorensen have all announced their candidacy. There is a link on the ANI web site with further details.

Tim is going to start trying to invite candidates to come to our meetings.

Safety & Education – Willie Stephenson

February 14th Awareness class. We did our class and it went well. We would like to get these classes going as soon as we can. If you know of any classes that are going to be held or have information about future courses, please get that information to Willie.

Share The Road stickers. Our supplies are getting low. Maybe we can work with a deal with Rich Bright, ABATE of Washington.

RC – it is as equally as important in getting people to come to these S&Es to learn how to do these classes.

Please contact Willie if you are interested in learning the S&E Awareness course or would like to be a Committee Member.

Runs/Events – Greg Raschke

Status of River City Chapter Awareness Run, Saturday, May 13th. ID Department of Transportation would like to have a sign up sheet at least a couple of days after the event. I (Greg R.) will not be able to be there until the afternoon so we will need someone to be there for the morning shift. Remember, this is a passive event. Motorists are to come to us; we are not to initiate contact.

Once we get a Run Calendar from the State, we can start adding Runs. Greg suggested we possibly host a Scavenger Run. Participants will either be given a list of items to be found or, maybe given a list clues that'll take them to places and what to find. Open for lots of ideas and suggestions. TC offered to work with Greg on this Run.

Please contact Greg if you are interested in participating or would like to be a Committee Member.

Charity & Fundraising; Karen

Awareness Run details. Karen will be setting up a Share The Road tip jar. Please contact her about any items you may want to volunteer to bring to the Event. Please contact Karen if you'd like a copy of the Items List.

'06 Spring Opener Raffle details. We have several restaurant gift certificates as well as the framed eagle picture. Please email Karen if you have any ideas on more items for the Raffle.

Old Business:

By-Law Manual – Willie S.

The basic Member version is ready. A hardcopy of the final version was handed out to members.

Meeting Location – All members

Dennis' at Hauser Lake has been suggested

Post Falls Library has been suggested

Any place that'll have us has been suggested.

Chapter Logo, Patches and Officer Badges – All members

Greg R may have a sample we can consider. The Logo should be kept simple so it can be readily used with letterhead. Should probably do the same with the patch to keep costs down. Officers' badges have been tabled for now.

New Business:

Chapter Membership Secretary position is still open – Willie S.

For now, Anne will continue [side note: with a lot of help from Karen]

Products – Greg R.

We need to find some one who'd like to take this up. Most Chapters are doing their own products. Indiana ABATE products is a good resource. One member suggested maybe we should try to do it by consignment. Another suggested buying from ID State. Karen H and Greg R are to meet later and discuss. Will bring back to members results of their discussion.

River City Chapter Lifetime Members – Willie S.

Bob Smith: For the years of service to ABATE of North Idaho, Inc. This service has included chairing the committee and overseeing the writing of the State By-laws of ABATE of North Idaho, Inc., past MRF Rep., past Chapter Officer and has attended numerous seminars, etc. on our behalf (see report on ANI web site) and has paid for same out of his own pocket.

MOTION: Chapter to accept Lifetime Member Bob Smith nomination
MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY (no abstentions)

Greg Rashke: For the years of service to ABATE of North Idaho, Inc. This service has included several tenures as both State and Chapter Officer, past MRF Rep., and has attended numerous seminars, etc. on our behalf and has supported and has contributed extensively to most all Spring Openers.

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Greg R took a few minutes to answer new member Steve Johnson's question about why this Chapter was formed. This Chapter was formed because it's [ABATE] a motorcycle rights organization to protect your rights, be involved with our local and state legislative interests as well as at the federal level and education including motorcycle safety, motorcycle awareness, rider education, etc . This Chapter fully supports these concepts and our intent is to get back to the basics of ABATE.

Open Forum/Announcements:

Elisa Chapman sends thanks to all who were able to participate.

50/50 Drawing:

Bob won the pot with lucky number 630194. Total Pot: \$15.75. Bob donated it back to the Chapter funds.

Adjournment:

8:35pm