

BIKER CIVIL WRITES

ABATE OF NEW YORK STATE, INC., SOUTHERN TIER CHAPTER

MINUTES FROM OCTOBER MEETING

October 8, 2015 – Start 7:05pm—8 members (including officers) attended.

TJ — Secretary Report. Minutes waived. Motion to accept (mta) Tony, 2nd Roger, motion passed

Toni — Treasury Report. We do not report our balances in the newsletter to maintain confidentiality. However, if any member wants information they may call Toni at 743-9556. The books are also available for any member to look over. (mta) Tony, 2nd Roger, motion passed

Mark — absent

Shelly — absent

Steve — At work. Attended 2 fundraisers for Fred Akshar. If anyone cares to attend Barb Fiala fundraisers may do so in Southern Tier ABATE’s name. As always the chapter won’t tell you how to vote. It is YOUR choice.

Kenney — Nothing to report.

Corky — At fire department retirement dinner. There’s quite an uproar in NY ABATE state organization with a long battle about to start. Albany area chapters trying to take over. Corky and other western chapters will be fighting this. Nothing else to report.

New Business:

We need to get state meeting moved back to Binghamton. Next meeting in Albany on November 21 @noon. Contact Corky or Kenney if you want to attend.

Penn asks if we could do the meetings by phone. Kenney says it wouldn’t work.

Old Business:

No old business.

Meeting adjourned at 7:25 pm.

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NOV/DEC 2015

Upcoming Events:

- * December 10th: Southern Tier ABATE Chapter Meeting
American Legion Post 1194 Hillcrest

Check out our online calendar for details on these events, bike runs, benefits, and more!

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WHAT IS A.B.A.T.E.

ABATE is an acronym for **American Bikers Aimed Towards Education**. We are a non-profit organization formed to promote and protect the interests of motorcyclists. We are a grassroots organization which provides information on federal, state, and local legislation affecting motorcyclists. We are also committed to motorcycle safety supporting the Motorcycle Safety Foundation (MSF)/New York State Motorcycle Safety Program (NYSMSP) which provides motorcycle safety training courses throughout New York State. Finally, we provide information about social events for riders.

If you would like more information on **ABATE** you may write to:

Southern Tier ABATE
PO Box 2441
Binghamton, NY 13902

CHAPTER MEETINGS

The Southern Tier Chapter of ABATE of NY meets on the 2nd Thursday of each month at:

J. P. Mangan American Legion Post 1194
363 West Service Road
Hillcrest, NY 13901

Meetings start at 7:00pm.

MINUTES FROM NOVEMBER MEETING

November 12, 2015 – Start 7:25pm—9 members (including officers) attended.

TJ — Secretary Report. Minutes waived. Motion to accept (mta) Roger, 2nd Steve, motion passed

Toni — Treasury Report. We do not report our balances in the newsletter to maintain confidentiality. However, if any member wants information they may call Toni at 743-9556. The books are also available for any member to look over. (mta) Roger, 2nd Steve, motion passed

Mark — Membership Report. See *Membership Report*. (mta) Toni, 2nd Tim, motion passed.

Shelly — Newsletter Editor Report. No changes since last month.

Steve — Plans to meet with F. Akshar. May need several meetings. Would like to have whole board meet him to show who we are and dispel myths about our organization. He rides. As freshman senator he'll need our help for now. (mta) Toni, 2nd Tony, motion passed.

Tim suggested we invite him to ride in the Freedom Rally.

Kenney — Working out of town.

Corky — State chapter meeting moved to back to Hillcrest on November 21st at noon. This is an election meeting and by-laws will be discussed. Last month's meeting venue was closed for taxes leaving everybody scrambling to find another venue. Next meeting was still on schedule

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MEMBERSHIP REPORT

We had no Members renew.

We had 6 renewals

- 1) James Cilley {2 yrs}
- 2) Jerry Coletti {18 yrs}
- 3) Mike DeBetta {23 yrs}
- 4) Toni Jamieson {12 yrs}
- 5) Robert Knapp Jr {4 yrs}
- 6) Penny McKay {15 yrs}

Thank you for your continued support.

Currently we have 48 Members. That is down 3 from two months ago.

If you know any of the following folks, gently remind them it's time to renew!

Members Past Due

- 1) Philip Marshall {September}
- 2) Kelly Kokkonen {October}

Members due in November 2015

- 1) Charlie Lohmeyer
- 2) Paul Rurka

Please keep your membership current. It is crucial to fight for our aims and purposes. We will only keep you on for 2 months after your membership card expiration date.

Life Term Members:

- 1) John H. Day Jr. {13 yrs}
- 2) Tony DeWan {15 yrs}
- 3) **Donald "Corky" Edwards {25 yrs}**
New Life Term Member
- 4) Steve Faughnan {17 yrs}
- 5) Sid Gyles {15 yrs}
- 6) **Ronald R Jones {18 yrs}***

*Membership anniversary

LIFE TERM MEMBERSHIP PROGRAM

The Life Membership program consists on a one time payment based on the number of years the member has in the organization. Beginning with their 25th year they are automatically a Charter Life Member and dues are waived.

0-5 yrs Membership is \$400.00	6-10 yrs Membership is \$300.00
11-15 yrs Membership is \$200.00	

In addition to all full-member benefits a Life Member receives: Life Member patch, distinctive Life Member card, & yearly pins.

MINUTES FROM NOVEMBER MEETING

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since the state chapter failed to notify the Post of the cancellation so the hall was available. (This happened for the last meeting and they weren't pleased since they could have rented out the hall for another event.) Shelly will send out an email advising everybody of the meeting and ask for attendance. (mta) Roger, 2nd Tony, motion passed.

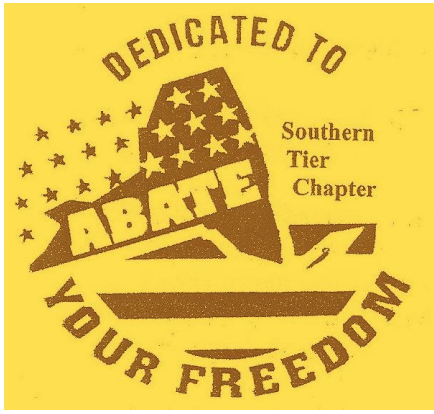
New Business:

No new business.

Old Business:

State newsletter doesn't have Big Deb's last name listed. Corky will contact them about this.

Meeting adjourned at 7:48 pm.



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Next Meeting: December 10, 2015

MAIL TO:

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PO BOX 300
WALKER VALLEY, NY 12588-0300**

Full Membership \$25 per year: includes membership packet, newsletter, all benefits in accordance with the State by-laws

Associate Membership \$20 per year: includes the same benefits as a Full Member except no newsletter

Member-at-Large \$25 per year: includes all the benefits as a Full Member (cross out chapter below)

Name _____ DOB _____ Chapter Southern Tier

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____ County _____ Phone () _____

Email newsletter Yes No Email address _____

Method of Payment Cash Check Credit Card: VISA Master Card

Credit Card No. _____ Card Expiration Date: Month _____ Year _____

Signature authorizing charge _____

I agree to comply with ABATE of New York State, Inc. by-laws:

Applicant Signature _____ Date _____

New member Renewal Member # _____—Signed by _____

ABATE of New York, Inc. Membership Receipt

Membership term _____ to _____ Full Associate Member-at-Large (cross out chapter below)

Chapter Southern Tier Accepted by: _____ Date _____

Retain this receipt as proof of application and payment. May be used as temporary proof of membership.