

CRVBMW May 21, 2023 - Nord & Jeanine Christensen's, 35 West Mountain Rd, West Simsbury, CT

Call mtg to order at 1:19 PM

Number in attendance - 24

Ron - Treasurer's Report (including discretionary spending) – No status report – Ron on vacation

Felix - Minutes report from previous meeting – Reviewed highlights of last meeting.

New Business -

The Executive Committee met this month to discuss updates to our Bylaws which have not been updated for many years. You should have received an email describing the suggested updates.

Discuss one Bylaws change at a time, then open discussion / questions - in preparation for vote at June meeting.

Review and discussion of Bylaws and proposed changes are summarized below:

- Associate members will not receive published newsletters or other mailings.
- Allow voting by use of hands when the slate for executive offices have only one candidate per seat.
- Allow and set limits on discretionary spending by President to not to exceed \$200 and Treasurer and Secretary to not to exceed \$100 per calendar year without approval.
- Allow the Treasure to make payments under \$500 when ordered by the membership without approval from the President.
- Reduces Quorum from 15 to 10.
- Clarifies how amendments to Bylaws can be voted by use of technology or by 2/3rds members present provided a two week notice was given to all members
- Technical change made on language for dissolution from past participle to present tense.
- Revised Addendum I to include current available technology for delivering notices to members and voting
- Added Addendum II which documents the proposed Bylaw revisions.

Brian suggested that the proposed Quorum include at least one officer.

Larry suggested that any discretionary spending be also included in future Treasurer's Reports. He also asked the status of past due federal and state filing requirements as they have fees associated with them. Tim confirmed that the Treasurer will begin reporting on discretionary spending at each meeting.

Tim explained to members present that the voting on the proposed changes to Bylaws will be held at the June meeting.

Old Business –

Don't forget to frequent our new website www.crvbmw.org. Some highlights are:
Members - Login, Members List, About our Members, How to Join
Links - MOA, RA, AMA (w / renewal link)

Please continue to pass out our club cards to as many motorcyclists as we can so we can bringing in new members. See me after the meeting if you would like a few more cards. I have received several new Free Membership applications from Max's BMW.

Tim updated membership recruitment through Max's BMW and John Schnabel has resulted in 9 or 10 new members.

We have printed and distributed a Rack Card created by Brad Thomas and are putting them at various motorcycle shops and dealers around the area. Our thanks to Ron for printing the first batch.

About the MOA Rally

1. We have partnered with Yankee Beemers and Ocean State VBMW Riders for a tent at this year's rally.
2. We have a Group Campsite for the MOA near the other local clubs.

Future events (same as past meetings)

Club meetings and all of these events are listed on our website with links to sign up and/or for info about the sponsors or locations.

Chris Jennings' Little Acorn Campout on Memorial Day Weekend at Mashmoquet Brook State Park in Pomfret, CT - May 26 – 28 (Chris suggested this would be a great opportunity to test out camping gear before the MOA Rally)

Americade - May 29 - June 3 in Lake George, NY

BMW MOA National Rally - June 8 - 10 in Doswell, Virginia

BMW RA National Rally - September 14 - 17 in Davis, West Virginia

How was the Devil's Hopyard Campout? Sunday rained out. **Brian Fisk mentioned it was rained out Saturday night so no campers, but many gathered on Friday night.**

The next club meeting will be on Sunday, June 25, 2023 at 1 PM

Log House Restaurant

110 New Hartford Rd (Rt 44)

Barkhamsted, CT 06063

860-379-8937

Plan to arrive early if you plan to order lunch (sorry, still no breakfast buffet with no future plans for it). Listed on our website under Events.

Does anyone have any items to discuss?

Jeanine offered infant T-shirts and onesies for members to take.

Motion to adjourn by **Larry Friedman** and seconded by **Bill Clarke**

Mtg adjourned at **2:07** PM

Notes in red added by Felix Planas, Secretary.