

APPROVED MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING OF  
MEMBERS OF  
NORTHERN ILLINOIS CORVETTE CLUB  
DECEMBER 6, 2023 (Approved January 3, 2024)

The annual meeting of the members of the Northern Illinois Corvette Club was held both in person and by utilizing Zoom Video Conferencing on December 6, 2023 beginning at the hour of 7:00 p.m. pursuant to notice as required by the bylaws of the corporation.

Upon a motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried, Ken Starzyk was chosen as chairman of the meeting and Cindy Starzyk was chosen as secretary of the meeting.

The chairman called for the secretary to determine the number of members represented. The secretary took roll, and the following members were present: 26 members were present in the meeting room and two on Zoom, for a total of 28.

The chairman then gave a report on the 2023 activities of the corporation for the year and its prospects for the ensuing year. This was done as a PowerPoint presentation and encompassed the following headings:

- 2023 Board Members – Thank you
- Officers nominated for 2024
- Competition Point Standings
- Membership
- Monthly Meeting Attendance
- Activities
- Advertising Revenue
- Advertisers
- Financials
- Additional Comments (Goals for 2024)

The members were pleased with the efforts of the officers and directors of the corporation. Ken thanked everyone for their hard work. After discussion, the following resolutions were duly made, seconded and unanimously carried by all the shareholders and by a show-of-hands vote.

Sherry Putnam stated the Resolutions:

RESOLVED that the financial statement of the corporation be and the same is hereby approved, ratified and confirmed and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the corporation's reimbursement to the directors and officers for expenditures made by them during the past fiscal year for and on behalf of the corporation be and the same confirmed and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all action of every kind taken by any officer of the corporation and the directors of the corporation for and on behalf of the corporation during the past fiscal year be and they are hereby authorized, readopted, approved, ratified and confirmed.

The motion to approve the resolutions was made by Cindy Starzyk and seconded by Dale Samuelson. The motion was approved. Ken requested a show of hands and the vote was unanimously approved.

**The chairman called for the introduction of 2023 officers for the evening:**

President: John Stupek	Sergeant-at-arms: Gene Stimart
Governor: Dale Samuelson	Editor: Preston Morgan
Secretary: Cindy Starzyk	Social Director: Debbie Schaefer
Treasurer: Louise Gorsch	Quartermaster: Barb Johnson
Membership: Leon Gorsch	Advertising: Ken Starzyk
Parliamentarian: Doris Hicks	Public Relations: Ken Starzyk
Historian: Nancy Bailey & Carolyn Samuelson	Webmaster: Linda Stimart
NCM Ambassador: Sherry Putnam	Parade Director: Open Position
Sunshine Chair: Doris Hicks	Media Director: Traci Hill

**Thank you to all who have served.**

The chairman of the meeting then stated that the bylaws of the corporation provided for the election of officers and directors of the corporation to hold office until the next annual meeting of the members or until their respective successor shall be elected. The chairman called for the nomination of directors, whereupon the following persons were nominated for 2024:

**2024 Slate of Officers and Board of Directors:**

President: John Stupek	Sergeant-at-Arms: Open Position
Governor: Dale Samuelson	Editor: Preston Morgan
Secretary: Cindy Starzyk	Social Director: Debbie Schaefer
Treasurer: Louise Gorsch	Quartermaster: Barb Johnson
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No further nominations were made, therefore the nominations were closed and the members proceeded to vote on the nominees. The vote was taken and the nominees were duly elected to serve until the next annual meeting of the members or until their respective successors are elected.

A motion to approve the nominations for 2024 was made by Cindy Starzyk and seconded by Sherry Putnam. The motion was approved.

**1. Introduction of Guests:** No Guests were present.

**2. Minutes:** A motion was made to approve the November, 2023 minutes by Barb Johnson and seconded by Gene Stimart. The motion was approved.

**3. Introduction of Officers, Directors and Chairs; call for reports:**

**President** – John Stupek, Absent. Ken Starzyk filled in for John. No report.

**Governor** – Dale Samuelson: See Dale's full report in the NICC newsletter. The dates for our autocross fundraiser events will be June 29/30 in Madison, WI, August 10/11 in McHenry, IL, and October 19/20 in McHenry, IL. NCCC membership cards are coming. The convention dates are May 13 to 19. In 2025 the convention will be run by MWR so NICC's help will be requested to plan and execute certain activities. We will partner with the entire Midwest Region. Corvette Museum plant tours are canceled for now.

**Secretary** – Cindy Starzyk: No report.

**Treasurer** – Louise Gorsch: Louise and the members discussed changes to the proposed 2024 budget. We will add \$100 for Greg Osen to work as the DJ at the Bachrodt Car Show. Car Show Expenses will increase to \$900. We will add \$200 to the Social Director Events Expense line for gas cards to give to people who conduct runs (mini runs – give \$25, full runs – give \$50). \$3600 for the new website is probably high but should stay the same for now. The budget looks closely balanced. We will vote to approve the final budget at the next meeting in January, 2024. A motion to hold over the proposed 2024 budget was made by Dale Samuelson and seconded by Sherry Putnam. The motion was approved. A motion to approve the November Cash Flow Report was made by Barb Johnson and seconded by Gene Stimart. The motion was approved. A motion to approve \$337 to reimburse Dale Samuelson's 2023 Governor's meeting expenses was made by Leon Gorsch and seconded by Linda Stimart. The motion was approved.

Louise also discussed the summer run to Colorado Springs. Following is the tentative itinerary:

July 21 – Lincoln, NB

July 22 – Colorado Springs

July 23 – Pikes Peak, Garden of the Gods, Air Force Academy

July 24 – Royal Gorge Train Ride, scenic drive on Hwy 50 & Pueblo

July 25 – Cripple Creek/ Train ride, Casinos, Flying W Ranch for dinner

July 26 – Return. Arrive home July 27

**Membership** – Leon Gorsch: The number of members is now 87. We lost 19 members to non-renewals this year so we will begin 2024 with only 68. Please help attain new members by engaging with Corvette owners as you encounter them. We do have two new members. They are Steve and Dana Stadel and own a 2023 black CV.

**Parliamentarian** – Doris Hicks: No report.

**Historians** - Nancy Bailey (absent) and Carolyn Samuelson: No report.

**NCM Ambassador** - Sherry Putnam: No report.

**Sunshine Club Chair** - Doris Hicks: No report.

**Sergeant-at-arms** - Gene Stimart: Collected \$4 from those who didn't have their name badges. Gene thanked everyone for the great sympathy cards after the passing of his brother.

**Editor** - Preston Morgan: On Zoom. Articles for the January newsletter are due by December 8<sup>th</sup>. The photo contest is over. First, second and third place winners will be announced at the January meeting. Preston and Nina wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. He

thanked everyone for their support of the newsletter and allowing them to remain members of NICC.

**Social Director** – Debbie Schaefer: No report.

**Quartermaster** - Barb Johnson: Barb showed the members “I ♥ My Corvette” t-shirts that we can purchased for \$28.

**Advertising** – Ken Starzyk: No report.

**Public Relations** - Ken Starzyk: Ken thanked the 13 NICC members who attended and generously donated to the December 1<sup>st</sup> Lou Bachrodt Toy Drive. Bachrodt has confirmed that they will sponsor us again in 2024 and partner with us on the NICC/Bachrodt Car Show.

**Webmaster** - Linda Stimart: Linda is updating the website’s email list. If your email address has changed please contact her. She and Traci Hill will meet again with the web designer in January to develop the NICC website.

**Parade Director** – Leon Gorsch: No report.

**Media Director** – Traci Hill, Absent.

#### **4. Old Business:**

a. Charity Committee – Last month we discussed increasing the amount for veterans (The Veterans Network of Northern Illinois) to \$1,500. A motion was made by Barb to approve the additional \$1,500 for the Veterans. The motion was seconded by Gene Stimart. The motion was approved.

b. Holiday Party – Sherry passed a sign-up sheet around and Louise collected members’ money for the party. At this point we have 25 members signed up. The deadline for RSVP is December 11<sup>th</sup>. See the website for more information.

c. Budget review – See the Treasurer's report.

d. Tailgate Party – Barb & Don thanked all for coming and they were thanked by all. Next year’s Tailgate Party will be on Sunday, November 3<sup>rd</sup>.

#### **5. New Business:**

a. Budget approval for 2024 – See the Treasure’s report. A draft of the 2024 budget proposal was handed out.

b. Event scheduling for 2024 – See the Governor’s report.

c. New website - See the Webmaster’s report.

d. Backup for website (volunteer) – Linda Stimart will be the backup.

e. Activities for 2024 – The calendar will soon be adjusted per information from tonight’s meetings and posted on the NICC website.

f. Campaign for new members (ideas to increase membership) – See the Membership Director’s report.

g. Walkie Talkies for runs – These are budgeted for, and John Stupiec has purchased them. Ken Starzyk will be the custodian of the walkie talkies.

h. Recognition of Sam’s wait staff: The fill-in President, Ken Starzyk gave a \$50 NICC bonus check to Jean, the server for our meetings at Sam’s Restaurant and recognized her excellent service.

**6. New Cars:** None

**7. Collection of Fines:** \$4

**8. 50/50 Drawing:** Gordon Akey won \$34.

**9. Attendance Drawing:** \$30.00 – Mike Lenth won and was present. Next month - \$10.00.

**Adjournment:** 8:09 pm. A motion to adjourn was made by Sherry Putnam and seconded by Gene Stimart. The motion was approved.

**Next Club Monthly Meetings:**

**January 3, 2024**

**Board meeting 5:00 p.m.**

**Social hour 6:00 p.m.**

**Member meeting at 7:00 p.m.**

Respectfully submitted by

*Cindy Starzyk*

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