NICC Minutes

January 3, 2024 Meeting Minutes - Approved February 7, 2024

1. Opening and Call to Order:

The NICC Monthly Membership meeting was called to order by John Stupec at 7:02 p.m. with 19 members present in the meeting room and three on Zoom for a total of 22 members in attendance.

2. List of Officers, Directors, & Committee Chairs:

President: John Stupec Sergeant-at-Arms: Mike Lenth

Governor: Dale Samuelson Editor: Preston Morgan

Secretary: Cindy Starzyk

Treasurer: Louise Gorsch

Membership: Leon Gorsch

Parliamentarian: Doris Hicks

Social Director: Debbie Schaefer
Quartermaster: Barb Johnson
Advertising: Ken Starzyk
Public Relations: Ken Starzyk

Historians: Nancy Bailey & Carolyn Samuelson Webmaster: Traci Hill

NCM Ambassador: Sherry Putnam Parade Director: Leon Gorsch Sunshine Chair: Doris Hicks Media Director: Traci Hill

3. Introduction of Guests: There were no guests in attendance tonight.

4. <u>Minutes:</u> A motion was made by Dale Samuelson to approve the December, 2024 minutes and was seconded by Ken Starzyk. The motion was approved.

5. Monthly Reports:

President – John Stupec: No report.

<u>Governor</u> – Dale Samuelson: See Dale's full report in the January NICC newsletter. The MWR Banquet is on April 6th. For reservations please go to the MWR website. The Convention week in Joplin is May 13-19. Registration opens for this on January 15th. Check the MWR website for more information and the activities. **Secretary** – Cindy Starzyk: No report.

<u>Treasurer</u> – Louise Gorsch: Louise distributed the NICC Budget Cash Flow Table for December, 2023. A motion to approve the December Cash Flow Report was made by Barb Johnson and seconded by Doris Hicks. The motion was approved.

<u>Membership</u> – Leon Gorsch: We have 68 members presently. One year ago we had 75. The loss of members over time tends to be the younger people who come and go. The older members have been in the club for many years. In 2007 NICC had 173 members! Ken Starzyk confirmed that Bachrodt is still offering a free one-year NICC membership with the purchase of a Corvette at their dealership.

Parliamentarian – Doris Hicks: No report.

Historians - Nancy Bailey and Carolyn Samuelson, Absent.

<u>NCM Ambassador</u> – Sherry Putnam: No report. <u>Sunshine Club Chair</u> - Doris Hicks: No report.

Sergeant-at-Arms – Mike Lenth: Mike collected \$4 for name badge fines.

<u>Editor</u> - Preston Morgan: On Zoom. Articles for the January newsletter are due by Friday, January 5th. An exciting new column coming to the newsletter is that of Traci Hill in which she will be enticing you with ideas about cool, unique places to go to on runs in the future with sights and establishments that you will definitely want to explore! You are welcome to contribute to this section as well with your ideas.

<u>Social Director</u> – Debbie Schaefer, Absent. <u>Quartermaster</u> - Barb Johnson: No report.

<u>Advertising</u> – Ken Starzyk: Ken wishes to have a representative from one or more of our charities go with him when he approaches prospective supporters/advertisers. This may be much more effective than his approaching them alone.

<u>Public Relations</u> - Ken Starzyk: Ken will report under New Business.

<u>Webmaster</u> – Traci Hill: On Zoom: Traci will report under New Business.

<u>Parade Director</u> – Leon Gorsch: July 4th is the Winnebago Parade and will be run by Dan & Kris Bomgarden. They will host a picnic after the parade. This parade will be about 20 blocks long.

<u>Media Director</u> – Traci Hill: On Zoom. Instagram seems to be the most eye-catching media. When the new website is up we will possibly have more hits.

6. Old Business:

- a. Holiday Party This was very fun, creative and organized. The food from Portillo's was wonderful!
- b. Budget Review See New Business for budget approval.
- c. Tailgate Party This was also very enjoyable with great food! Barb and Don will host again next year.
- d. Campaign for New Members Although Leon is open to new ideas, the best ways to attract new members at this time are to approach people and/or distribute the NICC postcard-sized information cards. Leon gave more cards to members who asked for them. Some NICC business cards were also distributed.

7. New Business:

- a. Budget Approval for 2024 (vote) A motion was made by Ken Starzyk to allow NICC to pay for a one-year NICC membership with the sale of a Corvette at Lou Bachrodt. The motion was seconded by Dale Samuelson. The motion was approved. A motion to approve the 2024 budget was made by Barb Johnson and seconded by Doris Hicks. The motion was approved.
- b. New Website -Traci Hill and Linda Stimart will meet again on January 15th with the web designer. Among other details, they will discuss a "Members Only" page, creation of a Gmail account, and making the site user-friendly.
- c. Activities for 2024 Cindy Starzyk has sent the most updated calendar for 2024 activities to all members. The date of this calendar is January 3, 2024
- d. Spring Run, Ken Starzyk Lake Geneva This run will be on Wednesday, May 22^{nd} . A sign-up sheet was distributed. Please sign up by January 31^{st} by contacting Ken at 815 222-0281. Ken explained that we will do a boat tour at 11:30-2:00 with lunch served onboard. There is a cash bar on the boat. Tour payments can be made later to Ken. The cost will be approximately \$60 per person. More details will be forthcoming.
 - e. Fall Run Open.
- f. Walkie Talkies for Runs We now have walkie talkies for our runs. Ken Starzyk is the custodian of these.
- g. Sign up for the Sunday, February 4th Bowling Party. Members can sign up before January 31st by contacting Cindy Starzyk at 815 222-2848. A sign-up sheet was distributed at the meeting tonight.
- h. Summer Run to Colorado Springs (July 21-27) Barb Johnson handed out a list with hotel information and contact information of those who have signed up for the run.
- **8. Photo Contest:** Using Power Point, Preston Morgan exhibited and discussed interesting information about several of the photos that were submitted, and the winners of the 2023 contest. Third place winners were Linda and Gene Stimart, second place victors were Louise and Leon Gorsch, and first place winners were Cindy and Ken Starzyk. Check the January newsletter to see what the prize-winning photos look like! Prizes were awarded to all the champions. A huge thank you goes out to Preston and Nina Morgan for all their hard work on this very fun, full-year activity and for presenting the winners in such a fun and interesting way!
- 9. New Cars: None
- 10. Collection of Fines: \$4
- 11. 50/50 Raffle: The amount was \$32.50 and Bob Rogers won.
- 12. Attendance Drawing: \$10.00 Preston Morgan won. Louise will get a check to him. Next month \$10.00.

<u>Adjournment:</u> 8:05 pm. A motion to adjourn was made by Sherry Putnam and seconded by Ken Starzyk. The motion was approved.

Next Club Monthly Meeting:

February 7th, 2024

Social hour 6:00

Member meeting at 7:00 pm

Respectfully submitted by Cindy Starzyk Cindy Starzyk