

NICC Minutes

September 6, 2023 Meeting Minutes – Approved October 4, 2023

1. Opening and Call to Order:

The NICC Monthly Membership meeting was called to order by John Stupec at 7:01 p.m. with 30 members present in the meeting room and one on Zoom for a total of 31 members in attendance.

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

President: John Stupec	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
Historians: Nancy Bailey & Carolyn Samuelson	Webmaster: Linda Stimart
NCM Ambassador: Sherry Putnam	Parade Director: Open Position
Sunshine Chair: Doris Hicks	Media Director: Traci Hill

3. Introduction of Guests: Jan Pausteck attended the meeting tonight. She is a future Corvette owner and is looking for a black convertible, 2008 or newer. Leon Gorsch met her at the Roscoe Car Show and invited her to the meeting.

4. Minutes: A motion was made to approve the August, 2023 minutes by Sherry Putnam and seconded by Gene Stimart. The motion was approved.

5. Monthly Reports:

President – John Stupec: John asked each member of the Board if they would be willing to continue to hold their position in 2024. Three positions were then left open. These were Parade Director, Sergeant-at-Arms and Webmaster. Traci Hill stated that she will take over the Webmaster Position.

Governor – Dale Samuelson: See Dale's full report in the September NICC newsletter. Thank you to all NICC members who volunteered at the August 5/6 Autocross Fundraiser. There was a notably good turnout of workers for this. The proceeds met our budget. Now we need workers for the October 14/15 Autocross Fundraiser in Crystal Lake. There will be a sign-up sheet at the October NICC meeting. A few members who had volunteered at previous Autocross events commented that these events are very fun to work. Dale mentioned that Joan Thomas had advised him that Mad City Corvette Club does membership renewals on their website and there is a "Members Only" tab which has information that only our club members can access. These would be features to consider as we begin to upgrade the NICC website in November.

Secretary – Cindy Starzyk: No report.

Treasurer – Louise Gorsch: Louise distributed the NICC Budget Cash Flow Table for August, 2023. The August balance is \$24,759.39. It will soon be time to plan for the 2024 budget. A motion to approve the August Cash Flow Report was made by Linda Stimart and seconded by Dale Samuelson. The motion was approved.

Membership – Leon Gorsch: Leon distributed renewal applications to members. The deadline for renewals for 2024 is October 15th. NCCC requires this deadline. If the deadline isn't met, the cost for renewal is an additional \$10. At this time we have 85 members.

Parliamentarian – Doris Hicks, Absent.

Historians - Nancy Bailey and Carolyn Samuelson: No report.

NCM Ambassador – Sherry Putnam: No report.

Sunshine Club Chair - Doris Hicks, Absent.

Sergeant-at-Arms - Gene Stimart: Gene collected \$4 for name badge fines.

Editor - Preston Morgan: On Zoom. Preston stated that articles for the September newsletter are due by Friday, September 8th. Remember to bring your newsletter with you to take photos of yourselves with it for

the photo contest. Preston extended his thanks and appreciation to the members that have submitted articles for the newsletter the past few months. Those members include Cindy, Linda, Ken, Louise, Curt, Sherry, Nina, and Leon. He also appreciates the monthly columnists for the newsletter, President John, Governor Dale, and Secretary Cindy. Won't you consider contributing an article for the newsletter or even becoming a monthly columnist? We could use updates from our Social Director, NCM Ambassador, and even gear information from our Quartermaster. Email comments, suggestions, and articles to: editor@nicccorvette.com.

Social Director – Debbie Schaefer: No report.

Quartermaster - Barb Johnson: No report.

Advertising – Ken Starzyk: No report.

Public Relations - Ken Starzyk: No report.

Webmaster - Linda Stimart: Linda proposed that a motion be put forward to approve the building of a new website for NICC. The present website is ten years old and was designed free of charge by a previous president's son. The site is now very difficult to navigate and impossible to attain support for. It has been hacked once. Linda has initiated a discussion with a web designer who is willing to do the build for \$1,500 to \$3,000. She will obtain a more detailed estimate if the membership approves this motion tonight. She will send out a blast asking all members for ideas regarding elements they wish to include on the new website. The new website would have many benefits such as the ability to apply for membership, register for car shows, ease of use, and a "Membership Only" section. The host, Square Space, would provide support. The process would begin in November and launch in January. Traci Hill has agreed to take over the position of Webmaster from Linda Stimart. Dale Samuelson made a motion (to be tabled for a month) to approve an expenditure of up to \$3,000 to develop a new NICC website. The approval of the motion was unanimous. The vote will be taken at the October NICC meeting.

Parade Director – Open position.

Media Director – Traci Hill: No report.

6. Old Business:

- a. NICC Picnic at Curt & Terri's – The weather was perfect and everyone had a great time.
- b. NICC Low Speed event, Crystal Lake – This was a successful fundraiser for NICC. Thank you to all the volunteers who helped.
- c. Vettes on the River (August 26, 2023-LeClaire, IA) – Lisa & Bill Thumme attended this and stated that it was a fantastic event. \$17,000 for Veterans was raised!
- d. Progressive Dinner (September 16)
- e. Route 66 Trip (September 24/25)
- f. Golf Outing – This was a terrific outing. Steve Webster commented that it would definitely be a good annual event. Leon remarked that it was "Best Ball", which made it a great opportunity for socialization.
- g. Roscoe Car Show – Leon stated that there were twelve Vettes from NICC in attendance. Corvette Corral was overwhelmed, so next year the Church will expand it. Thank you to the NICC members who came!

7. New Business:

- a. Progressive Dinner (September 16 starting at Sherry's at 3:30 pm for appetizers) The sign-up sheet was distributed. Sherry explained that it will be our last outing to Smokin' Coops this year. We mainly need members to bring desserts for the dessert portion.
- b. NICC Low Speed event, Crystal Lake, IL. (October 14/15) **Volunteers are needed.** Contact Dale Samuelson at (815) 979-2352 if you can help. A volunteer sheet will be passed at the October meeting.
- c. Wiener Roast Leon & Louise, Oct 7 at 5:00 - Please bring a dish to pass.
- d. Perryville Road Clean Up, October 21 at 10 am - **Volunteers are needed.** – Dale will have a sign-up sheet at the October meeting. We always clean the trash from Newburg to Harrison streets.

e. Route 66 Trip (September 24/25) – Please read your packet.

8. **New Cars:** None.

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

10. **50/50 Raffle:** The amount was \$42 and Barb Johnson won it.

11. **Attendance Drawing:** \$10.00 – Russ Schaefer won. Next month - \$10.00.

Adjournment: 7:40 pm. A motion to adjourn was made by Sherry Putnam and seconded by Gene Stimart. The motion was approved.

Next Club Monthly Meeting:

October 4th, 2023

Board Meeting 5:00

Social hour 6:00

Member meeting at 7:00 pm

Respectfully submitted by

Cindy Starzyk

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