



**“A NEW BATTLE
BEGINS AT HOME,
TOGETHER WE WILL
FIGHT”**

PROJECT BROTHERHOOD RESOLVE

MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, October 19, 2021

7:00 pm, Teleconference

Facebook Messenger Group Video Chat

I. Call to order:

II. Roll Call

- Joseph Gemayel: President - Present
- Secretary - vacant
- Treasurer: vacant
- Michelle Overzet: Member - Present
- Donnal Hillard – Excused
- Gary Overzet: Member – Present
- Jessica Harrell – Present

Guests:

- Alexia Locke
- Roxanne Silvernail
- Laura Gnaidek
- Greg Emrick

III. Approval of June Meeting's Minutes

- a. Joe motions to approve August minutes as read by Joe – Gary seconds with date adjustments
- i. Aye: (4) Joe, Michelle, Gary, Jessica
 - ii. Nay: (0)
 - iii. No vote: (0)
 - iv. **MOTION CARRIED**

IV. Treasurer's Report –

- a. Joe motions to approve financial report for August - September as ready by Joe. Michelle seconds.

General Account \$ 5,938.18

Events Account \$ 56.21

Overhead Account \$ 135.11

Future Account \$ 150

b.

- i. Aye: (4) Joe, Michelle, Gary, Jessica
- ii. Nay: (0)
- iii. No Vote: (0)
- iv. **MOTION CARRIED**

V. Events / Committee Reports

a. 2021/22 Events Calendar

o **Thanksgiving Dinner Nov 20 at the V –**

- Things are coming along fairly well, we have turkeys being donated from Toni Oliver and other sources, we have food coming in from Apple Tree, just have to remind him the week of, Have to talk to Steve from Brian's, and E.G. donated a \$25 gift card. The Lady Hogs want to do the pies, Laura is doing Gravey, Jessica is doing corn. Joe will get a hold of the Young Marines to do the POW/MIA table as well as help with serving, Get the Mayor and Tuskegee Airman as guests of honor.

o **PBR Got Your Six Gala –**

- **hold it in March –**
- **Michelle - Alexia – Roxeanne**
- Metamora lions 50, cost less than legion, hold 150 comfortably, 150 cleaning fee, deposit 300 fully refundable, can use an outside caterer, ACE Catering is the one we have a deposit with, may have access to kitchen if she is registered with them, they do not have a liquor license, BYOB – might be cheaper than having them pull a license – On the existing invites there is already a date and cannot be changed, let's go with E-vite and see where it goes. An issue we people did not RSVP – do we want to E-vite and follow up with a call, Alexia said to send reminders, text or e-mail and set it up on class, last minute folks caterer always do 10% over what's requested, 50 or more do not cancel - \$50 individual – \$90 Couple – \$350 Table of 8, Alexia will double check on the table types – reserve paper invites for Mayor and such – put together a Promotion video – specifically for the gala? Alexia you go ahead get your mom involved in this project – we can focus Denny on a general video for PBR promotions. WE spoke about March and what weekends are available, the 5th and 12th, we opted for the 12th to give reaction time.

- **Veterans Gallery Night –**
 - **20 May – 3 June**
 - **Joe – Virginia – Deni – Sara – Clay – John**
 - Had a meeting with the committee, we dropped the dates back to June 3rd. We discussed 3 different sponsorship types. General sponsorship includes 5 levels, 5-Star for \$10K – 4-Star for \$5K, 3-Star for \$1K, 2-Star for \$500, and 1-Star for less then 500 with different options for every level. Specific Event Sponsorship for \$750, a specific event can be sponsored and the advertising will be for that specific day, Artist Sponsors starting at \$500, the Artist will have to go out and get this sponsorships, sponsors get their logo/banner displayed on top of Artist wall for duration of the event. We talked about liquor licenses and permits. Check with St Clair Shores City Clerk on permits and check with Michigan liquor Control on Liquor license, Each day requires it's own license and we only have 12 for the year. The Board approved the use of 9 for the Gallery, 1 for the Gala and hold on to 2 just in case we need it. As far as permitting, we can permit 1 week at a time, since there is break in between, and we can just write in the shows for the week. We set a sponsorship goal of \$30K and an event goal of \$50K. Spoke about the different shows we can have during the event and to start pooling show artist so we can call and see what we can book.
- **22 Clubs for the 22 Fallen Poker Run –**
 - **18 June**
 - **Joe – Bob**
 - Waiting to speak with Bob on how to run it exactly, and waiting to confirm stops. We have a few Clubs already interested in the event.
- **Freedom For All Paintball**
 - **9 July**
 - **Joe –**
 - Need to start looking at getting sponsors and getting people interested in the event.
- **Lest We Forget 9-11 Memorial Ride**
 - **11 September**
 - **Joe – Bob**
 - Keep everything the same, just do more advertising and get more bikes involved. Last years run was great and there is no need to change anything.
- **PBR Veteran Suicide Awareness Ruck**
 - **17 September**
 - **Joe – Sara**
 - Sara is ahead of the game getting mile-sponsors for \$100 a piece. We tried that before it didn't work for us, but she seems to have a handle in it. WE will get spun up on this closer to January.
- **Family Day**
 - **October**
 - Look into doing it the first week of October, do it as a Halloween event, Jessica mentioned a pumpkin farm willing to donate pumpkins for the vent. Spoke with Bob about maybe doing a pumpkin catapult, keep most of the events from this year, play the dunk tank by the weather. Do not use Josh from this year since we didn't get what we wanted, even though it was due to equipment being damaged, they gave us other equipment and charged us almost full price for all of it.
- **Veterans Thanksgiving Dinner**
 - **19 November**
 - We'll focus on this as it gets closer to the event.
- **Imlay City Fair - Lapeer Days – Metamora Days – Woods and Water Show –** We need to get in on these events. Joe Sold almost \$600 dollars worth of raffle tickets during

Lapeer Days, even though it rained and there weren't many people Friday or Sunday. Larry from the VFW did almost \$1500 in raffle sales during Wood and Water show. We are missing out on fundraising and promotion for this event. Possible even future sponsors and donors.

- **Tattoo Event** - The event raised almost \$3K in a matter of 7 hours. Big Rob wants to do it for a week next week. We will get it scheduled. The funds were split between 3 organizations, and we got over \$900.

VI. Old Business

- **Google Voice 800 #** - The Starter package is \$10 per month, per person however we cannot do the attendant and incoming group calls. The Standard package is \$20 per person, per month and we can do what we need. Forward calls as needed, have a group ring for certain instances. We decided to table it so the Board can further look into it.
- **Bob Novak** – Will sit down this month and discuss the events he is assisting with.
- **Grants and Proposals** – Michelle can you get a list of Grants we can apply for
- **Can Drive** – \$1,052 – roughly \$150 in the garage and Renee has more to be picked up
- **Classy** – Once we get enough consistent money in the Overhead account, we will move the auto-pay there.
- **County Community Service** – Haven't been successful with them, we can revisit this when the vents pick up and we need volunteers.
- **I am PBR Campaign** – Need to get it with Denny and get this started so we can use it on Facebook and our Web page. People love seeing videos and are more responsive to videos the posts.
- **Real Estate For A Cause** - \$1,000 – Checks waiting – November PBR month – October 26 Interview which will be posted throughout the month of November as we are their featured Veteran Non-Profit for the month of November.
- **Office Depot** - 414 212 26
- **Good Newsletter** – They haven't been responsive, Roxanne said we have to keep following up as they lose track easily.
- **Dan, Marine Veteran – Assist** - we will get the money to Veterans4USa during our Thanksgiving Dinner
- **Raffle** – Goal is to sell 500 tickets; we need to get as many folks involved.
- **Logo** – Michelle and Gary, Jessica working on one. Joe has one in his head hasn't been able to put it on paper yet. Let have all logo designs submitted by the 15th of November and decided on the 16th
- **Housing** – we checked out the place on M24, going for \$200K which is cheap, we can have multiple bedrooms, we can add 1 or 2 bathrooms, and need to complete a kitchen. Other than that it already has internet lines running everywhere, central air, furnace, good lobbies, and located in a good spot. We need to get with the mayor and planning commission to see if they will let us do what we want, and if they will charge us taxes. Also looking at the old Catholic Chapel on M-24 in Metamora. It's going for \$650K, but has a House, big Barn, a big pavilion, and a big building that can be converted to what we need. Need to speak to Metamora Township and see if they'll agree. Bob Novak also mentioned about the old Mayville school that's not being used.

VII. New Business

- **Trunk or Treat** – 20 October – Helping Hands Nursing Home Joe will be set-up passing out candy.
- **Williams Gun Shop** set-up canopy and sell raffle tickets, take donations, and promote PBR on 22 October

- **PBR Cups** – Mark has different designs, he also has ones with color. We can look at buying different sizes, selling them for \$20 a piece and making good profit. What are the different process per size. Do we want to purchase and sell, or pre-sale them and not hold inventory? Let's see prices to make first and go from there.
- **Chase updates** – Need to put Jessica on the account, take out Amy and Michelle. We maybe losing Donnal due to job changes. Going to keep her on the account for now until she makes the decision.
- **Lapeer Fight Club** – Is wanting to raise funds for PBR through their weekend fights. They just need a banner, and some raffle tickets. Casey Passage is representing PBR and helping set it up. We need someone form the Board to represent as well. Jessica said she'll see if she can do it if she doesn't have the kids that weekend. Joe may not be available that weekend.
- **Raffle** – Joe talked about doing the \$100 ticket raffle. His church did it over COVID and had success. You sell 300 tickets at \$100 each, which will raise \$30K. PBR takes \$20K and split the remaining \$10K into different prizes to make it more appealing. Instead of just 3 or 5 prizes we have more. The splits would be \$5K - \$2000 - \$1000 - 2x \$500 – 2x \$250, 5X \$100 which will give us 12 winners. Concerns where brought up about selling the 300 tickets, we have 6 months to od it. Gary suggested to begin selling during the Gallery Days. Since we agreed to have 2 raffles during the year to raise funds for our overhead account, this would work since the event goes through June. We can end the 1st raffle on Memorial Day and star selling tickets for the second raffle the week after. It won't take much to print the tickets either.

VIII. For the Good of the Order:

- Recruit other members to join PBR Board
- We need physical helpers
- Secretary/Treasurer

VIII. UPCOMING MEETINGS/COMMENTS:

- **Next Board Meeting 16 November 2021 @ 7pm Location: TBD**

X. Close Out:

- Adjourn by:

ADDENDUM

On Saturday, October 30, 2021 4:37:56 PM

Tarah is asking for assistance for her rent 1259.00 . This what she wrote .

I'm sure by now you are getting tired of hearing from me. I am sorry for being in such predicaments so much...my mother says I am cursed ::chuckles::. The current situation at the moment is a case of retribution. My son was being abused and harassed by his boss at work and was forced to report her. She was spoken to and reprimanded, but that was it. She in turn yelled at my son for nearly causing her to loose her job, wrote him up for turning her in, and cut his hours to one day a week. My son is looking for other work and a lawyer. Currently, we were able to pay all our bills but rent. My son's check was simply too small, for obvious reasons. In no way did my son deserve this level of retribution and suffering...now we're drowning. I know it's a lot to ask Project Brotherhood for help, but alas here I am. I'm sorry to be here...again.

Tarah

On Sunday, October 21, 2021 10:38 PM

I Michelle overzet motion project Brotherhood Resolve pays 1259.00 for Tarah Flieck rent .
Michelle Overzet. Seconded by Jessica.

- **Aye: (4) Joe, Michelle, Gary, Jessica**
- **Nay: (0)**
- **No Vote: (1) Donnal**
- **MOTION CARRIED**

On Tuesday, November 2, 2021 11:39:42 AM

Good morning Joe this is Tim the situation is the Lapeer County friend of the court has ordered me to pay \$1,000 by Friday November the 5th. I should have \$700 available seeing if you are able to help me out with the remaining \$300

Thank you,

Tim Arms

On Thursday, Nov 4, 2021, 9:32 PM

I Joseph Gemayel motion to assist Tim Arms with \$300 for child support payment to friends of the court Lapeer. Seconded by Michelle Overzet

- **Aye: (3) Joe, Michelle, Gary**
- **Nay: (0)**
- **No Vote: (2) Donnal, Jessica**
- **MOTION CARRIED**

On Wednesday November 10, 2021, 1:16 PM

Michael Moquin asking for assistance on his DTE energy bill for \$56.54 .

Michelle Overzet

On Thursday, November 11, 2021, 2:04 PM

I Michelle overzet motion to pay Michael Moquin DTE energy bill for 56.54 .

Michelle Overzet. Seconded by Joe

- **Aye: (4) Joe, Michelle, Gary, Jessica**
- **Nay: (0)**
- **No Vote: (1) Donnal**
- **MOTION CARRIED**