

A semi-annual membership meeting of the Penn Coachmen Chapter of FMCA was held on Friday, May 23, 2014, at the Grange Fairgrounds, Centre Hall, PA with the following officers in attendance:

Ron Becker, President Bill Freed, Treasurer Jim Lexa, Area Vice-President
Larry Troutman, Area VP Carol Becker, Area VP Joe Thurston, Alt. Nat. Director
Barbara Arcati, Secretary

Pledge of Allegiance

Ron Becker opened the meeting at 7:15 PM and all stood for the Pledge of Allegiance. Ron certified that we had a quorum with 36 F members in attendance.

Secretary's Report

Barbara Arcati read the minutes of the previous meeting of Nov. 8, 2013. Two corrections were made and a motion was made by Hal Amos, seconded and approved to accept the minutes as corrected.

Treasurer's Report

Bill Freed gave the Treasurer's Report. As of May 23, 2014, there was a balance in the treasury of \$7247.39. From January 1 to May 2014 we had total inflows consisting of 50/50, contribution in name of Bob Moss, dues, rally receipts totaling \$4693. We had total outflows for the same time period consisting of email program, office expenses, membership expenses and rally expenses of \$5248.15. For the period from January 1, 2013 to December 31, 2013, our balance ending was \$8572.77. Our biggest expense is the printing, reproduction and mailing of the yearbooks of \$2714.17. The rallies made an average of \$172 per rally. Ron Lee made a motion to accept the treasurer's report. The motion was seconded and approved.

First Timers and Guests

Ron Buckley introduced first timers and guests. They are Ron and Ann Zeisloft, guests of Wayne Watts and Roland and Doreen Sims, guests of Larry Troutman.

Old Business

Larry Troutman discussed the Audit Report done by Wayne Dilliplane and Larry Troutman in November 2013. The audit gave a favorable report of the books by Bill Freed. There were a few recommendations by the auditors. A new audit committee consisting of Wayne Dilliplane and Larry Troutman will conduct an audit in 2014.

Louise Birett asked if anyone has volunteered to be the area vice president due to the resignation of Norma Moss. Ron Becker said that a member has been asked but not given his answer yet.

New Business

Rally schedule

- Next year the GEAR rally is scheduled to be one week following our usual September rally and can affect the turnout. The question was asked how many want to still have our September rally. About 10 -15 hands were raised as a yes and about 2 hands raised as a no.
- The October 2015 rally may be moved up by one week to have more space prior to the November Swatara rally.

A motion was made by Jacob Rubritz to have the Secretary of Penn Coachmen write a letter to FMCA to change their bylaws to include owners of Fifth wheel trailers as members of FMCA. A discussion followed regarding this motion. The motion was seconded but it was not approved by a large majority in a show of hands.

Ron Becker stated the list of rallies for 2015 is posted on the bulletin board and rally masters and hosts are needed. He also stated that trailer captains are needed to transport the trailer to and from rallies.

Entertainment tomorrow night will be attended with the PA State Coachmen club and we need to bring chairs.

Linda Deardorff thanked all members for their cards and prayers during the difficult time that Karl experienced this winter with his eye injury. She also said that Ed Molinsky is improving and is back on the road following his surgery. Linda will be in charge of crafts at the GEAR rally.

Suzanne Knorpp requested that a copy of the minutes of the previous meeting be posted on the bulletin board prior to the current meeting. Hal Amos stated that the minutes are posted on the web site under the heading "minutes/newsletters".

Joe Thurston reported that the GEAR rally will be in Ashville, North Carolina, on September 24-28 and is only one week following the Pinch Pond Penn Coachmen rally on September 19-21.

There being no further business to discuss, the president, Ron Becker adjourned the meeting at 8 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara Arcati
Secretary