

CRVBMW November 17, 2024 - George's Pizza & Restaurant, 9 School St, Unionville, CT

Call mtg to order at 1:01 PM

Number in attendance - 20

Mark - Treasurer's Report (including discretionary spending) – Updated financial status of the club.

Felix - Minutes report from previous meeting – Chris reviewed the last meeting.

New Business -

Time to renew your membership for 2025. If you attended the picnic or joined after September 1st, your membership for next year is paid and your name should be on the list that was recently emailed. Currently, 2/3rds of this year's members are paid up for next year.

Just a reminder, membership dues are \$30 for Members and \$20 for Associate Members.

Old Business –

Today, we are here to vote on next year's Executive Committee Members. Currently, we have the following candidates:

President - Tim Parola

Vice President - Chris Jennings

Treasurer - Mark Altschwager

Secretary - Felix Planas

Road Captain - Brian Fisk

Assistant Road Captain - John Schnabel

Member-at-Large - Nord Christensen

Are there any other members that would like to submit their name for any of these positions? (If so, hold election for that/those positions)

If not, per our By-Laws, I pronounce that the above members are officially voted in for 2025.

Since each post had only incumbents running again, a vote for each was recorded below by the Secretary.

<u>Post and Candidate</u>	<u>Vote</u>
President - Tim Parola	1
Vice President - Chris Jennings	1
Treasurer - Mark Altschwager	1
Secretary - Felix Planas	1
Road Captain - Brian Fisk	1
Assistant Road Captain - John Schnabel	1
Member-at-Large - Nord Christensen	1

#### Future events

- The Winter Banquet will be on Saturday, February 8th, again, at the Casa Mia at the Hawthorn Inn in Berlin, CT. More information will follow as we finalize the details. A Save-the-Date message is on the website under Events. Go to our website and watch for emails with more info.

- We would like to have 1 or 2 volunteers to gather door prizes for the banquet. After doing it for so many years, Tim has run out of ideas and would really appreciate it if someone else would take over. Please let him know and he will provide lists of what we have and what we have used in the past. He was really appreciative of Jay Lyman and Nord Christensen's success in arranging for door prizes for this year's banquet. Contact Tim at [president@crvbmw.org](mailto:president@crvbmw.org) if you'd like to help.

**Nord and Jay volunteered to gather and coordinate prizes for the banquet. Also discussed was sending thank you notes by the recipients of the prizes to the donors.**

- Little Acorn Campout - Mashamoquet Brook State Park, 276 Mashamoquet Rd, Pomfret, CT from May 23 - 25, 2025 (Memorial Day Weekend)

- BMW MOA Rally - the rally will be held at the James E. Ward Agricultural Center and Wilson County Fairgrounds, 945 E. Baddour Pkwy, Lebanon, Tennessee from June 19 - 21, 2025

- BMW RA Rally - August 28 - 31, 2025 (Labor Day Weekend)

Go to our website for details about all upcoming events.

**- Brian Fisk spoke on the Grey Ghost, Vermont, and Chris Jennings spoke on ST John USVI camping trips.**

If you would like an event to be listed, provide details of the event using the Contact Us page on our website. Details should include day, time, street address of the location and any other helpful info. If it's going to happen within the next few days, call Tim at 860-550-5734 and have him look for your listing.

Brian Fisk - New Year's Day breakfast? **It is unknown at this time if Uncle D's will be open NY day. Last year they announced being closed at the last minute. He will email them.**

**A motion was offered by Mark**

**Motion to pass the credit card surcharge to users and to accept cash or check payments.**

**Motion was seconded by Nord.**

**Nord clarified the surcharge the club absorbs when members use credit card payment is between 3 and 5 percent.**

**An amendment to the motion was offered by ?? to surcharge credit card users 4%.**

**Ron questioned what is the fee currently paid by the club on credit card charges. Mark responded he has not figured it out. Ron further discussed the credit card surcharge. Nord stated the treasurer is willing to take a look.**

**The motion as amended is: accept cash and check payments and anyone wanting to use credit card for payment would pay a 4% surcharge.**

**The motion as amended passed by a show of hands: 19 yea, 1 nay**

**Does anyone have any items to discuss?**

**Motion to adjourn by Nord and seconded by inaudible**

**Mtg adjourned at 1:27 PM**

**Notes in red added by Felix Planas, Secretary.**