

July 11, 2007

General Membership Meeting

1. Roll Call of Officers:

President	Tommie Haffelder – P
Past President	Robert Wisian – P
Vice President	Norris McCord – P
Secretary	Jim Andrist – P
Treasurer	Randy Malone – P
Sgt. At Arms	Ernie Hinkle – P
Board	Henry Tomlin – P
Board	Bill Whitaker – P
Board	Norma Toungate – P
Board	Ben Vega – P

2. Reading of the minutes

Motion made by Norman Toungate to accept the minutes of the May 2007 meeting as written and correct.

Second by Robert Wisian.

Motion carried.

3. Membership report: (Resignations and new members) by Randy Malone.

As of 07-10-07 our paid membership is at 203, of the current 387 retired Austin Officers who meet the qualifications for membership. Last month we reported there were 415 who were eligible for membership, this was an error due to adding guest to the list for the fish fry who were later counted as officers. This has been corrected. We have 13 Honorary Members.

4. Reports of Committees:

Benevolent Committee - Ben Vega - Gene Meziere

Death Capt. Forrester

Death CP. L. Conner Active APD

Entertainment Committee - Randy Malone - We had 180 attend the Fish fry, which included our guest. Without taking into account the cost for the tickets, copies and other small officer cost the overall cost for the gathering was \$1,931.43. This was up about \$700.00 from last years gathering but we had a much larger participation.

Bar-B-Que – Cat fish - Fajitas?? Still open. We want to have another gathering this year.

Legislative Committee - Randy Malone - HB1318

We were able to get the Bill passed into law and this in part was due to the many phone calls we were able to generate to get the Bill moving. The Governor did not sign the bill but it becomes law on 09-01-07 at which time the death benefits through the Retirement System go up to \$10,000.00.

We had been working on the City of Austin to up their benefits, something we will continue to do, but we owe a thanks to Pete Morin who suggested we try the Retirement System too.

Need to send Pete Morin and Dawanna Dukes a thank you card for their work on the HB

Motion made by Henry Tomlin to accept the Committee Reports, Second by Bill Whitaker.

Motion carried.

5. Treasurer Report - Copies attached to minutes

Fish Fry Gathering

\$2,002.43	Food cost (includes 15% tip) (\$11.12 per plate based on 180 guest)
<u>\$ 649.50</u>	Two Shotguns
\$2,651.93	
-\$ 479.00	income from raffle tickets
<u>-\$ 241.50</u>	income from additional guest
\$ 1,931.43	cost of gathering

Our 2007 budget was based on our 2006 cost and we did not anticipate the large 2007 turn out. We have now spent 75% of our meeting budget with the cost of this meeting and two others still to come. If we plan to have another gathering later this year we will need to make some adjustments.

The two shotguns, after sale of tickets, cost us \$85.25, which we could easily make up by selling the tickets early, maybe starting a month out so we have a chance to sell tickets at all the monthly gatherings.

If we cater Bar-B-Que or Fajitas we can get a lower cost per plate saving about \$2.00 a plate and we could pay for the member's plate but any guest would have to be paid for.

Motion made by Ben Vega to accept the Treasurer's report, Second by Rodney Keene.

Discussion - None

Approved by voice vote.

6. Communications and Bills - Thank you card from Forrester Family.

7. Unfinished Business - None

8. New Business

August 1, 2007 - gathering at State Capital, Peace Officer Memorial Monument

See Frank Miller

Said gathering about tower incident, more to come about groups gathering.

Rodney Keene working on the fundraiser with Apple Bees for pancake sausage dinner, cost about \$5.00. Rodney will check into this with the North Austin and South Austin Apple Bees on the dates.

\$4.50 will be returned on each sale plus you get a \$5.00 dollar gift certificate when you show up.

Tentative setup will be the 17th of November, second choice may be the 10th of November times 7:30 am or 8:00 am each person needs a ticket. Rodney will check on the date available.

9. Adjournment

Motion made by Jim Andrist to adjourn, Second by Henry Tomlin.

No discussion.

Approved by voice vote.

Jim Andrist - Secretary