

Minutes from the May 5, 2022 Meeting

Call to Order: 6:35 PM at Jakers in Missoula. President Don thanked everyone for coming and welcomed new members Dennis and Joni Cote ('73 silver coupe). Don asked everyone to introduce themselves and briefly describe their Corvettes.

Members Present: Don Matlock, Ron Beck, Ed Schmidt, Norm & Cathy Smyers, Dennis & Joni Cote, Joe Moran, Larry Jones & Elizabeth McMurrer, Phil Barba, John & Elaine Christensen, John Ayres, Ron & Linda Benton.

Meeting Minutes: Don asked if everyone had read the minutes (which had been previously emailed) from our April 7 meeting and if there were any questions and/or corrections; being none, John Christensen moved to accept the minutes as submitted; Larry seconded; motion approved

Financial Report: Ed reported a deposit of \$95 for memberships and no bills. Since this wasn't a formal report, Don said we don't need a motion to approve.

Old Business:

Big Sky 2024: Larry reported that the Hilton Garden is under new ownership but that the management was open to reserving 80 rooms with a special group rate as we have done in the past. Don contacted Karl Tyler and they gave him a "provisional" yes. At the April meeting, Don asked us to think about whether we wanted to sponsor Big Sky, take a month to think about it, and decide during the May meeting. He also asked us to consider doing a "light" or modified version of the event, since there were several members who voiced concerns as to whether we have enough members to pull the event off and that we are an aging group. He added that he didn't think we had enough members present to take a vote on the issue at this meeting. John Christensen asked that we delay the vote until after the upcoming Big Sky takes place later this month (Memorial Day weekend), and we hear about how that went. After discussing this, it was agreed to delay the decision another month. Don said if any member has a question about Big Sky, how it's been conducted in the past, how it might be done in the future, to please contact him before the event. He can then take these questions/concerns to the upcoming meet. Contact: matlock@csinet.net or 406-369-0706

Big Sky, Whitefish, May 27-30, 2022: Don said the following members from our club are going: Larry Jones, Jeff Stevens, Jerry & Gail Zella, and himself.

Carolyn Bell's Corvette: Don reported the Corvette, a 2007 Z06, is still for sale. Carolyn is doing well.

Quinn Hot Springs Run, Sat., April 30: Elizabeth reported that 11 Corvettes with 22 people made the trip to Quinn's for lunch, where we enjoyed delicious food, fine weather and a fun time with no car problems.

Camp-Make-a-Dream: Ron Beck reported said that he contacted the camp directors. They still have a "no-visitors" policy and are following Covid protocols. Several members expressed disappointment that we haven't been able to do this event that goes back to the mid-90's.

New Business:

May Fun Run: Don asked for ideas for a May "Fun Run". It was decided we should do a Saturday night cruise on Reserve St. on May 14. Larry said it starts at 7:00, but he wants to scope out a gathering spot for us. When he knows, he'll let Cathy know and she will send out an email announcement.

June Meeting: Don noted that we need to have our next meeting in the Bitterroot and asked for ideas. John Ayres suggested Kodiak Jax in Stevensville. It has a large meeting room which can accommodate our group. Dinner 5:30 pm, meeting at 7:00.

Since there was no further business, Don asked for a motion to adjourn. At 7:45, Norm moved to adjourn, Ron Beck seconded; motion approved.