

Hamilton Chapter, Studebaker Driver's Club
Minutes of the General Meeting October 20, 2024
Location: Canadian Warplane Heritage Museum,
Mount Hope Ontario

President Peter welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order at 10:00 am. Peter welcomed a guest, Fred Parry visiting from London, Ontario. He also welcomed new member John Talley to the meeting.

Secretary Dennis was relieved once again of the requirement to read the minutes of the September meeting as it had been cancelled.

Treasurer Sue reported an opening balance of 4312.38 and discussed recent account activity. A summary has been submitted to the executive.

Motion to accept the report by Donna Sommerville

Seconded by Carl Schlosser

All in favour-yes

Sue initiated a discussion on the upcoming club Christmas Party to be held on November

24, 2024. There is a date conflict with the Celebration of Life for long time club member George Graham. The party start time of 1pm followed by dinner at 2pm is fixed to allow members to safely return home following the event and is not recommended to change it to a later time. Sue indicated she had a conversation with George's son Joe and reported that Joe had said to go ahead with the party as it had been planned for a year.

An attendance list was passed around and several members have signed up. Please contact Sue by November 9th to advise her of your attendance. There may be an opportunity to pay by e-transfer and further information will be forthcoming.

There will be a silent auction at the event and members are urged to contact Sue if they have anything to contribute.

In the past there has been a non perishable food donation but this year it is recommended

that a cash donation is more useful to the Hamilton Food Share for their purposes.
There

will be an opportunity at the party for members to contribute using a QR code which will allow you to receive a tax receipt in your name.

Sue presented a motion to allow to allow the club to make a \$100 donation to a charity of the clubs choice representing any club members who passed away in the last year. There will be further discussion at the January meeting.

Motion to accept by Marguerite Ward

All in favour-yes

Old Business Peter reviewed the status of the current executive saying that everyone would retain their positions but there had been no nomination to replace retiring Vice President Steve Porter. He called for any nominations or volunteers to step forward. Aaron Dorsch, who is a recent new member, put his name forward for the position. Peter asked the members in attendance to confirm the nomination-all in favour, yes. Peter asked the members in attendance to second the nomination-all in favour, yes. In addition, Sue Lusted indicated that she would be willing to assume the membership responsibilities which had been part of Steve Porter's purview. Peter appointed her as Membership Chair.

Peter confirmed that Roger Hill and Bob Easton would continue as tour masters going forward and they both agreed to continue.

Peter advised that 17 club members attended the recent Studebaker swap held in Dunkirk

New York and that this one may be the last one held there due to event date conflicts.

The 2025 NorthEast Zone meet is scheduled to be held in New Hampshire May 29th to June 2nd which may coincide with the annual meeting in South Bend, more to come on this one.

The RodMasters car club is having a swap meet on October 27th at the Ancaster fair grounds.

A brief discussion was held about the current meeting space at the Warplane Museum,

specifically regarding the noise level where we are placed in the hanger. No resolution at

this point.

New Business Roger Hill passed around two magazines which had Studebaker articles,

one was Automobile Quarterly and the second was Collectible Automobiles.

Peter advised the members that he has 7 Studebaker Calendars left. \$10 USD of \$13.75 CAD and will have bring them to the Christmas Party several copies of the 2025 Studebaker Calendar and will have them at the Christmas party.

The November meeting has been moved to December 1st at the Warplane Heritage Museum, confirmation to follow.

The January meeting will be held January 19th at the Livingston Activity Centre in Grimsby and will include cards and a potluck, details to follow.

A brief discussion was held regarding reviving a Studebaker 'Economy Run', no resolution at this time.

We may have several options for club apparel suppliers going forward. Bob Barrick has a

contact in Dunnville and has had some samples created. Doug Sommerville indicated that

he also has a potential contact and a supplier from Welland is also in the mix. A resolution is still pending.

There were 20 members attending the meeting and a 50/50 prize of \$47 was won by Roger Hill who graciously returned \$10 to the club.

Motion to adjourn by Dennis Kennedy

Seconded by Dreena Gallagher

All in Favour-yes