



*Michigan
Sheriff's Mounted
Association*

Gratiot County
November 5, 2011

Meeting called to order at 1:20 p.m. by President Daryl Luedeking, 13 counties present.

Sheriffs or Under Sheriffs present: Undersheriff Earl Hunt welcomed everyone to Gratiot County, he was glad to have everyone there. Thanked each one for what they do for their counties.

Minutes: Were approved as read

Treasurer's Report: \$3, 5128.20

Board Meeting: Information was sent to Mary Walton for the 501C (3), still working on getting it.

Some of the stands were shot during the shoot and some felt this might have been on purpose. Gary Gregory will be making a couple more stands to have for backup.

Daryl took the time and straightened out the trailer and put stuff in some kind of order. Please when you use it put things back in their place. Please make sure if you do use the trailer to check the tires for the correct pressure.

Need to check on what your county has for Pony Express stationary. We buy this usually every year, but don't receive back nearly as many letters as what went out, so please check on your supply.

Correspondence: Received a check for \$75.00 from Ed Koehn, Greenville, for the purchase of a vehicle by one of our members.

Old Business: Bruce still needs email addresses. We are still working on life members and what they would be able to participate in after they retire. Need to come up with a uniform, possible dues, training that may be required and possible age.

New Business Life membership was submitted for Kim Kauranen, Otsego County. Information was passed around; this will be voted on at the next meeting.

Audit was done by Tonya and Jane, Gratiot County, everything was in order.

Elections:

Nominated for Colonel was Daryl Luedeking, Daryl will remain Colonel.

Nominated for Lt. Colonel was Gary Gregory~ Osceola and Bruce Osmon, Lapeer. After a secret ballot Gary will be Lt. Colonel.

Nominated for Major was Nadia Kidder, Otsego, Bruce Osmon, Lapeer~ Mary Walton, Barry and Tonya Grupp, Gratiot. Tonya withdrew from running, after a secret ballot Nadia will be Major.

Nominated to the board of directors was Benzie, >Gratiot, Montcalm Otsego, and Osceola, there were no more nominations. Gratiot made motion to accept those five counties seconded by Barry, motion carried.

The following counties have one year remaining, Allegan, Barry, Hillsdale, Lapeer and VanBuren. Committees will be appointed at the January meeting.

Shiawassee, Barry and Gratiot put in to host the 2012 Spring Pistol shoot, after a secret ballot Barry County will host.

Osceola and Otsego Counties put in to host the 2012 Pony Express if no one else wanted to, which no county present wanted to. Motion was made to vote on at November meeting. Vote was taken and Osceola and Otsego Counties will host the 2012 Pony Express, this will be held in Osceola County.

Recipient needs to be in by the January meeting, you need to have picture and article, with enough copies for all counties.

The horse committee presented changes for the horse show. The first change would be to add a class to the open division, it would be 17 and under and 18 and over. The second change would be Maverick riders will run all 3 classes before any other class is run. Maverick riders will run on a shorter course. Motion was made to accept change, motion carried.

Bruce Osmon made a motion to upgrade computer. Bruce said he could get a good Dell for around \$500.00, motion carried. Bruce will take care of this.

There is a change on the officers list for 2012, which are active lifetime members and inactive life time members. If you have an active lifetime member, you should be paying dues for them per bylaws.

Please fill out sheet completely, with correct amount for dues. These are \$50.00 per county and \$1.00 per all active members.

Reminders: Dues are due , but must be paid by the March meeting to be allowed to participate in any event for 2012.

Upcoming meetings or events:

January 14,2012-	Meeting Hillsdale County
March 3, -2012	-Meeting Huron County
	Last date to pay dues
April 14, 2012-	Spring Shoot Barry County
May 12, 2012-	Meeting Osceola County
June 8-10, 2012-	Pony Express. Osceola County co-host Otsego County

Next meeting will be held: [Hillsdale County ,January 14,2012](#)
Board meeting 12:00 noon
Regular meeting 1:00 P.M.

Thank you Gratiot County for hosting the meeting and meal provided.

Motion made to adjourn meeting, meeting adjourned at 2:20 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:
Nadia Kidder