

## Minutes JBCCC Meeting November 13, 2024

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by Larry followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. 19 members were present. Judy gave the Treasurer's Report. JoAnn read the minutes from the previous meeting.

<b><u>Treasurer's Report:</u></b>	Previous Balance	\$8649.72
	Income	905.00
	Expenses	534.63
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	<b>Balance</b>	<b>\$9020.09</b>

Motion to accept the treasurer's report made by:  
Dave Curran, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Harry Lewis. All were in favor, motion carried

**Secretary's Report:** Minutes from the October 2024 meeting were read  
Debby Kunkel clarified the information about Mahoning Valley Drive-In & Speedway  
Motion to accept the secretary's report made by:  
Dave Kost, seconded by Joe Curran  
All were in favor, motion carried

### **Old Business:**

As of November 13, 2024 we have 152 paid members. All 2024 unpaid members have been removed from the active member list. We are aiming for 200 members and hope to reach that goal soon.

Larry announced the passing of Tony Przyasnyski and a former member Jimmy Downs and asked for a moment of silence from everyone. Tony was an integral part of the Club and will be sorely missed.

The Memorial Car Show for Matt Boyer went very well. His family was very happy. The new President from the spinoff of the Jim Thorpe Pharoahs Car Club, named the Boomers, also attended Matt Boyers Memorial Car Show. Larry had a conversation with him. He told Larry they are organizing a Fundraiser for Autism, a very worthy cause, and hoped that members of our Club would participate and help out. It appears that it will be a multi car club event. It is scheduled for May 31<sup>st</sup> 2025 with a rain date of June 1<sup>st</sup> at the Polk Twp. Fire Company. More info will be on their Facebook page. He reiterated the reasons for breaking away and forming the Boomers Club. It will be run very differently from the Pharoahs. Larry suggested we pencil this in our calendar and give it a shot and see what they are all about. They are based in Albrightsville. Steve mentioned that they asked if we would attend their cruises and they in turn would attend ours.

Joe Barone came to the meeting tonight. A round of applause welcomed him and he thanked everyone for their cards, prayers and well wishes.

Larry asked Joe Curran how the Barachie's were doing and to let them know we are asking about them and keeping them in our thoughts and prayers.

We are going to try to keep the apparel moving.

As we said the Tamaqua Car show was a huge success. The weather was great. We want to keep that event on our calendar every year. They will continue to have one of the events solely for our Club, custom built around us.

Larry encouraged members to put the Jukebox Cruisers stickers on their cars so we can recognize our members.

The Christmas party will be at the Penn Forrest Firehouse. Catering will be done by Pat Rodgers and his crew at the Firehouse. The venue will be decorated by them. Everything included comes to \$2700. which is where we wanted to be monetarily. Pat also said they will include the appetizers. There will be a non-meat / vegetarian dish for those who do not eat meat. We will ask members to indicate this when making their reservation. Members voted to have individual salads rather than a big bowl so it can be eaten while others are in line for the main meal. The Firehouse crew who are also Club members are not expected to be serving the buffet line as they will also be enjoying the meal. This might change as Pat will try to get additional servers but if that does not work out, people will serve themselves. Larry expressed that he is extremely happy that the party will be at the Firehouse. Invitations will be sent in an e-mail blast and mailed to those who don't have an email. Pet donations will be

collected as in previous years and there will be a Pollyanna for those interested in participating. Dave Kost made the motion to finalize the venue and menu for the Christmas Party, Steve Berger seconded, all were in favor, the motion carried.

Larry will notify Eileen at Polk Twp Firehouse that we will not be using them for the Christmas Party. Steve will contact Jeff at Palmerton Pub and do the same.

Larry brought a copy of the By-laws for the officers to review and make changes. A lot of the wording needs to be changed so that we do not have to do this every year. A few of the items were brought up at the meeting and discussed such as the dues and the Diamond membership. They really need to be polished up and the committee tasked with this will be working to finalize the rewording. Debby mentioned that they were on the web site for anyone interested in reviewing them. She also mentioned that Social media information should be incorporated into the By-Laws.

As previously stated, the donations for this year have already exceeded \$1900. to various organizations. The suggestion to put a cap on how much will be donated will be discussed at the January meeting. We will then know how much money is left after the Christmas Party and any other incidental expenses. We will then decide to whom and how much will be donated by the Club. We are in very good shape in every regard. The Club has been operating at a phenomenal success rate. Steve suggested we keep a certain amount of money for operating expenses for the New Year. This will be discussed in January.

Dave has been keeping up with Facebook. People want real-time information. Pictures are being posted immediately. This ultimately helps the Club with its popularity.

We did all the parades this year. The Club took first prize of \$50 in the Lehighon Halloween parade. Joe Curran made a motion to donate this prize money and return the prize money back to the organization, Dave Kost and Harry Lewis seconded, all were in favor, motion carried. Judy will send the check.

Debby explained a little more about the Mahoning Valley organizations and the possibility of having 2 car shows in connection with them next year.

We will keep the Lansford Alive event on the calendar for next year and confirm dates for various "standing events" of the Club.

Regarding a "surprise" Car Show to honor Mary Berger, Steve suggested it may be better to have it on a Saturday because there are so many shows on Sunday. He mentioned May but wants to wait and see what her health prognosis will be before setting a date. We should hopefully have more information at the January meeting.

### **New Business**

It was brought up if anyone asked the Boyer's if we could continue to use their field for certain events.

Larry informed us that Mark who was the Vice President that took over for Firehouse Larry, has recently resigned. Elections will take place soon and we are hoping for a good (new) President at the Firehouse. Tom Whitely is considering running and will make a decision soon. He will let us know.

### **New Members:**

Larry McCullion-Summit Hill, PA  
Sponsored by Judy Turner

Troy Andrews – Palmerton, PA  
Sponsored by Deb Kunkel

Ronald Marakovits – Whitehall, PA  
Sponsored by Steve Berger

Patricia Radocha – Nesquehoning, PA  
Sponsored by Deb Kunkel

Motion to accept new members was made by Dave Curran and seconded by Frank Mertz. All were in favor, motion carried. Larry mentioned that these new members are good for the Club inasmuch as this is a slower and more "off" time of the year, which makes it nice to have them inducted now.

Debby gave us an update on birthdays, google docs and anything else she takes care of. Everything is up to date. She also noted that the domain name renewal is \$24.85 due annually and the Website is due every 2 years which is around \$316. The Club Debit Card is on file to automatically take care of this. Judy will take confirm and handle

the reconciliation of this when it hits the bank account. Larry is the only one with a debit card at this time but Judy should probably have one as Treasurer.

Steve suggested setting up empty chairs at the Christmas Party to honor Tony and his wife. It would be a great memorial for a great man. We will extend this great idea to be a symbol and memorial for all Club members that we have lost. Everyone agreed.

Larry announced a new initiative for the Club. We would like to issue permanent membership cards made of a high-quality material and instead of re-issuing cards every year we would issue stickers for the current year for members to put on the back of the card. We are working on the design of the card. We are also going to go with hats as a new piece of Club apparel for next year. A black hat with a nice embroidered Jukebox logo.

JoAnne asked about Zoom. Larry said we needed the program that lasts longer than 45 minutes. The cost would be \$240 a year. We will go with that option and it will be soon.

Larry asked everyone to think about a great event for our 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary in 2026. He wants something spectacular!! Let's see what we can come up with.

Judy asked Pat if he needed a deposit for the Christmas Party. He asked for \$250 which Judy is giving him immediately. Larry filled out the request.

Joe Barone thanked everyone again. He also mentioned that he and Tony became very close after his wife died. His family has adopted Joe and Donna as their surrogate family. He said that Tony's family plan to have a Celebration of Life in the near future. He also got a call out of the blue from Phil Botti, a former Vice-President of the Club. The Club only had 34 members back then so he was instrumental in increasing the membership at that time. He wants to join again and Joe suggested that rather than have him start over, we reinstate him with all his previous information. Dave Kost made the motion to reinstate Phil Botti and Harry Lewis seconded, all were in favor, motion carried. He will be moved back to the active list and will get a renewal in 2025.

With there being no further business, a motion was made by Joe Curran to adjourn, seconded by Dave Kost. All were in favor, motion carried. Meeting closed for business at 8:30 PM