

GMC Great Lakers Members Meeting Minutes

May 13, 2023

Camp Dearborn, Milford, Mi

President Jerry Newman called the meeting to order at 5:10 pm. Members present: Baumbargers, Bolsers, Desormeaux, Devries, Giannosas, Helmore, Johnsons, Koenigs, Lamberts, Matras, McCoy, Newmans, Secords, Smiths, Waters, Wibbys. New members Dan and Faye Smith and Joe and Lisa Desormeaux were introduced. Guests Karl and Lucy Gross and Frank Taverna were club guests and will be our post dinner presenters. Karl is a retired GM engineer and worked on the development and construction of the GM motorhome. Frank is currently a senior manager at the GM Proving Grounds.

Bill Helmore gave a report on the Spring GMCMI rally. He indicated there were 70 coaches there – 6 from the Great Lakers club – and reported that it was a good rally with good seminars. He reported that the GMCMI fall rally will be held in Michigan and a caravan and parade of motorhomes is being planned from the rally site to the M1 Concourse – the site of the former assembly plant where our coaches were built.

Jerry reported that the Aubuchons were unable to attend the rally as Tom was recovering from minor surgery. Maria McCoy was also unable to attend as she is recovering from back surgery.

Jerry discussed the Nominations Committee and its duty of getting candidates for club officer positions and to replace any officer that is unable to complete their term of office. Jerry stated that Ron Bolser, Tom Aubuchon and Dolph Santorine were willing to serve on the Committee. Jerry asked if there were any members that would also be interested in serving on the Nominations Committee and Bill Helmore indicated he would be. A motion was made by Bill Helmore, seconded by Steve Johnson to approve the Nominations Committee slate of Bolser, Aubuchon, Santorine and Helmore. Motion was unanimously approved.

Melissa Koenig reported that we have 85 members with 5 new this year.

Jerry stated that he would have the For the Good of the Club suggestion box available in the breakfast area.

Jerry awarded the Presidential Award of Honor to Joe Baumgarger and Becky Johnson for their individual contributions to the Club.

Jerry reported that the June rally in Hocking Hills is sold out. Rally info should be out on the website soon. The 2023 website password was provided. Check with Rob if you need to know the current password.

A motion was made by Sandy Wibby and seconded by Craig Devries to adjourn the meeting at 5:45 pm. Meeting adjourned.

Jim Wibby, Club Secretary