

**BMW
Riders of Mississippi**

Minutes of September 9, 2017 Meeting

Met at Council House Café | French Camp, MS

Alan Henderson, President, called the meeting to order. Alan welcomed all members to the meeting. Two new members present – Phil Myers and Tommy Smith and two guests – Mike Miller and Flo Newell. There were no minutes from the August 2017 meeting.

Treasurer's Report: was given by Dan.

Web Master Report:

Steve Harrison was not able to attend the meeting but please be reminded that the web page address is: www.BMWridersofmississippi.org Steve is looking for pictures, ride reports, ideas, suggestions, etc for the new web page.

Old Business: It has been discussed over the past months to change the constitution to allow non BMW riders into the club. No one has objected and this month it was voted to put it out to all members for a vote. All members will receive an e-mail ballot and this ballot should be returned to Alan or Laurissa by e-mail or in person at the October meeting. The wording will be simple: membership is allowed to non BMW riders but they must be sponsored by a current member that is in good standing.

Working on our relationship with BMW of Baton Rouge. The club held it's August meeting there. Lunch was provided and a good time was had by all.

New Business: Alan Henderson, club president, noted that officer elections are behind and gave notice of his resignation as club president. He nominated Dan Stubblefield to take his place as President. It was then voted on to hold nominations for new officers in all positions during the month of September (up to October 14, ie the next meeting) you may nominate yourself or another member. October will be voting month and ballots will be sent by e-mail to all members after the October meeting. New officers to start in January. Alan then reminded everyone that all monthly meetings are the second Saturday of each month.

Current candidates

President:

Dan Stubblefield

Vice president:

None now

Treasurer:

Laurissa Henderson

Secretary:

Alan Henderson

Ride Reports:

Tommy Smith rode to Natchez, MS and returned through Rodney, MS where he saw the cannonball still lodged in the side of the church from the Civil War era.

Dan Stubblefield took a 4 day weekend to ride to Johnson City, TN with his friend Bill Worden. They had a great cabin on the Watauga River. Rode up into Kentucky and Virginia. Also rode the Snake. Had a great 4 days.

Ian Fergusson rode to the BMW International Rally in Salt Lake City, UT. Went to the geographical center of the United States in Lebanon, KS. One of the smallest rallies on record, only about 4,000 attendees. Next years rally is in Des Moines, IA

Ken Bedi and his neighbor, Mike Miller rode up to the Dragon in Tennessee. Had an awesome time. First time for Mike to ride the Dragon, he was so glad he went.

Mark Sanford meandered up to Canada to visit family, girlfriend, etc. He drove over the Mackinac Bridge, through Sault St. Marie, Detroit and wound up at Watkins Glen, NY for the Finger Lakes Rally. Put about 3900 miles on his bike.

We then discussed future meeting locations:

October 14, 2017 – Steve Harrison’s home on the coast (if the weather permits). If not the Blowfly Inn, Gulfport, MS HIS address will be sent out.

November 11, 2017 – Swamp Scooter Rally, Lafayette, LA

December 9, 2017 – Hamil’s, 751 US-51, Madison, MS 39110

Meeting was adjourned.