

LAKE COUNTY ABATE CHAPTER MEETING

Sept 7, 2026. Time: 11:58 am

Meeting was called to order, followed by pledge/moment of silence, with 28 people in attendance. Jim led in prayer.

PRESIDENT: William “Griz” Deaver: We have Rep. Taylor Yarkowsky coming to speak with us today. He is running for another term in the house and was the sponsor for our Safety money bill on the House side. There was more discussion in regard to questions for Taylor Yarkowsky. Five weeks from today is the Oct State Mtg and party. Hopefully we’ll reunite Spoots N Scoots, For those going, if you see anything that needs changing, please let us know. The Party is Saturday and the delegates meeting will be on Sunday 10 am. We have our Member Appreciation Party today with Pizza being served around 1:30 pm. Vera has games, etc. to play. Buy some products from Charlie, she has a lot of neat stuff.

VICE PRESIDENT: Joe Kremer: Yesterday I was at Forrest Chapters meeting and was informed that they are getting into the schools with our Safety Program. I’m going to get involved with them on that and maybe we can get Lake County involved. We need to get pictures of us doing this stuff. They are going to be running a Safety Booth up there at a car show being held at Cool Kats. The address is 2250 NE 70th St (Hwy 326), Ocala. We did well at our last car show at JJs.

SECRETARY: Jane “ShortCake” Smith: Minutes from last month were posted as corrected. Motion was made by Russ & 2nd by Dave, all in favor, approved. I’m in the process of doing the calendar for next year. There is a sign-up sheet if you would like one at \$7.

TREASURER: Sharon “SugarMomma” Balocki: She went over her report. Jane moved to accept the report, Anne 2nd the motion, approved

SGT AT ARMS: Andrea “Termite” Schmitt: Received a call from Frenchie and would like to have some people to help at the State Party for two hours each. Please let me know and I’ll forward on to him. Joe and I will get together, to get the inventory on supply trailer done.

LEGISLATIVE: Uli Fessler von Stargard: Absent

MEMBERSHIP: Vera. We had five new members sign up this month and newsletter is on FB.

NEWSLETTER: Vera Deaver: That is up online. I have posted some of the upcoming events.

WEBSITE: Bob “BMW Bob” Farris: Absent

PR, BILLING: Jessie Hunt: Taylor Yarkowsky is coming today. Eagle Riders has a cancer benefit ride planned for one of their members Rob Welman and Moose has the Sheriffs Youth Ranch ride coming up in Nov.

SAFETY: OPEN

PRODUCTS: Charlie: We have new products and a sale on some of the older ones.

STATE REPS: Steve: Absent. Joe gave the report. We have two lobbyist proposals. One from Epic in AZ and the other is FWD. Alfie wants to see strategic plans for anti-profiling. A committee will be put in place for that. Griz went over the two proposals. Jane moved to accept the FWD Proposal, Sharon seconded it. Motion passed for FWD.

SPEAKER: Taylor Yarkowsky spoke followed by Q & A.

ROAD CAPTAIN: Russ Sharpe: No Report

HOSP: Jan “Lil Bit” Delancey: Our Christmas Party will be held Dec. 19 starting at 6pm with dinner served at 7pm.

FOOD & BEVERAGE: Donna Smith: Absent, sign-up sheet for the Chili Cook-Off in Oct.

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS: None

GOOD OF THE ORDER: None.

50/50 was won by Jane. The meeting was closed at 1:50 pm These minutes have been summarized by the Secretary, Jane Smith, Ride Safe everyone.