



Minutes of Feb 3rd 2021 COB meeting held **via TELECONFERENCE**

Attending: Dave & Marie Johnson, Gary & Deb Jozefiak, Bob Garrity, John Aulisio, Gary Rougeau, Butch Eddy and Fran Bourdon.

Dave opened the Meeting at 7:35

**Old Business:**

- None

**New Business:** See the calendar on our website [www.corvettesofberkshire.org](http://www.corvettesofberkshire.org). Events are added constantly.

**Hint Use the "Agenda" option for a chronological listing.**

- No planned events for February or March. Our next meeting will most likely be a teleconference as well.
- Future events for 2021 will also be delayed until we have a much better sense of Covid-19 restrictions and vaccine status. Many of us will be eligible under the over-65 rules when they apply to Massachusetts making events more feasible. Pick-up events are possible and encouraged. Several of our members have already had their 1<sup>st</sup> shots.
- Dave announced that there will be an upcoming meeting of Corvette Club Presidents from the New England area in the near future to discuss ideas as we come out of this pandemic. There is a concern about loss of membership during this lapse of members actually being able to get together. They are expecting it to be set as a Zoom meeting. More to follow.
- Dave announced that he has officially retired as of the end of January. He will stay on a couple of days a week for an extended period of time working from home.
- We were surprised with the "appearance" of Bob Garrity in our meeting! Bob is recovering at home and expressed his dismay at not seeing his Vette friends and longs to attend a future in-person meeting. Please keep Bob in your prayers as he continues dialysis for his kidneys which have not reactivated since the liver transplant operation. He may be facing an additional operation to add a functional kidney. He thanked the members for the many cards and prayers and welcomed members calling him. His mostly free days are M, W and F.
- Lou Rocha's car was delivered to his house. How frustrating it must be to have a new Vette and only be able to look at it! Thankfully the winter will give him some time to digest the volumes of instructions – both printed and imbedded in the screen. Congrats Lou!

**TENTATIVE Club Events for 2021 COB Official Planned Events** (new/changed events are highlighted in yellow)

- No events planned by the BOD at this point. Strongly recommend spontaneous cruises as some members did in late 2020 until we can plan cruises with safety and certainty.

**Possible additional events in 2021: Check calendar for current updates!**

- None due to Covid-19

**Recurring events 2021– Check all events for cancellations due to covid-19 concerns.**

- Ice Cream/supper cruise to Gardner’s in Stephentown. Last Friday of each Month - May to October (Cruise-in)
- Leadfoot Lucy (Kohl’s Plaza Albany) May 1<sup>st</sup> and every Wednesday
- Verillo (Prestige) Auto Clifton Park Every 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday 9-12.
- Guptill’s Ice Cream Latham NY [www.regionalfoodbank.net/event/guptills-car-shows](http://www.regionalfoodbank.net/event/guptills-car-shows)

**Treasurer’s report:** No report. Previous ending balance was \$2,984.65

**Raffle:** No Raffle!

- **NOTE** Next COB Meeting is March 3<sup>rd</sup> at 7:30 and will most likely be a TELECONFERENCE!

**Club Event SOP** – We encourage anyone who is going to attend a “Cruise-in” event, or set up an impromptu dinner, to send out an e-mail to all members who may be interested. This can be done by going to your MOST RECENT e-mail you received from the club... and clicking “Reply All”. That will pull all of the most recent member e-mails into the “To” section for your e-mail. You should then change the subject (so we know that it is new) and add the content that you want to send out.

We encourage individuals in the club (anyone) to accept responsibility to coordinate any event that they wish. Whether a small group... or large... it does not matter. The responsibility is not difficult... There are only 5 key points...

1. If the activity involves dining, do we have the ability to sit (at least somewhat) together?
2. Will the establishment provide separate (couple’s) checks?
3. If it is a “fair weather” event (meaning driving the Vettes), is there parking that will be acceptable to those attending?
4. Set the meeting place prior to the drive, if applicable. (i.e. rest area, parking lot, etc... known to members)
5. Maintain a “count” by screening the “Reply All” e-mails that come back from members if the food establishment expects one.

THAT’S IT!

Keep checking our calendar (<http://www.corvettesofberkshire.org/cobcalendar>) for updates. Events are being added all the time. If you hear of an event that may be of interest to the club members, send the information to Dave at [DJ@corvettesofberkshire.org](mailto:DJ@corvettesofberkshire.org) and he will post it on the calendar.

Also, Corvettes of Berkshire is on Facebook!  Dave (with the help of Marie) will continue to expand the group. If you have not been “connected” yet, search “Corvettes of Berkshire” on Facebook and put in a friend request (<http://www.facebook.com/berkshirecorvettes>). This is a “public group” and a great way to instantly add photos, updates and ideas. Along with our website ([www.corvettesofberkshire.org](http://www.corvettesofberkshire.org)), we are quickly climbing out of the 18<sup>th</sup> century!

If you have updated a car or want a different picture on the site please e-mail it to Dave at ([photo@corvettesofberkshire.org](mailto:photo@corvettesofberkshire.org)) - with any details you want posted with the picture (Year, Paint Color, etc.).

Submitted by; Fran Bourdon, Secretary.