



Minutes of June 4th 2020 COB meeting held at “old” Best Buy Parking lot Lanesboro

Attending: Dave & Marie Johnson, John & Pam Aulisio, Gary & Sue Rougeau, Mike Sawicki, Butch Eddy, Gary & Deb Jozefiak, Bob & Darlene Rodowicz, Keith Seidman, Steve & Michelle Gigliotti, Tom & Deb Degray, Dave Epstein, Austin & Lynda Brazee, Larry & Marilyn Gallap, Sam & Pam Russo, Dave Kosla, Shaun Hebert, Lou & Dolores Rocca and Fran Bourdon.

Dave opened the Meeting at 6:55

Old Business:

- We held a teleconference with about 10 members. No new or old business given the covid-19 restrictions. We planned to try an outdoors meeting in June. If members do a drive and want company just send an e-mail. Lack of restaurants and restrooms has seriously hampered our current options.
- There was a car show at the Berkshire Mall Parking lot 2 weeks ago. Dave Kosla, Butch and Gary Jozefiak attended.

New Business: See the calendar on our website www.corvettesofberkshire.org. Events are added constantly.

Hint Use the “Agenda” option for a chronological listing.

- Bob Garrity is now recovering at a rehab hospital in Westborough. We will keep you posted on his progress. Marie is recovering very well and has returned to working status. Please keep all in your prayers.
- The Adirondack Poker run has been postponed until September or October.
- Ozzie’s shows have been cancelled for June & July.
- No word yet on Corvettes at Carlisle.... though other Carlisle events seem to be happening
- Picnic is still planned for July 25th at the Rodowicz’s House. More to follow at the next meeting.
- Next meeting location is planned for the Best Buy parking lot as it worked out very well. Most members brought meals and soft drinks and socialized. Other options are being investigated so stay alert for the confirmation of the next location. We will probably not return to Bass Water until we can all be seated in the Banquet room.
- Dave will adjust the meeting date if weather becomes an issue.
- **IMPORTANT NOTIFICATION FROM VIP- (Message content received from VIP...)** VIP is going ahead with the July 19th event (at Lakeside Farms). Because it is a fundraising event it is open to members and guests. There will be no front gate, tee shirts or trophies. We will have containers for anyone who wants to make a donation to Double H. If there is a registration of sorts it will be to know who came and give out give-away tickets. We hope to have some baskets, 50/50 and give-aways. Lakeside will be open and serving food. Inside seating will be limited and there will be some outside tables. Parking will be a little further apart and we ask to cover up where necessary and keep a safe distance. We want this to be a safe and fun event while we support our charity. **This event is on our COB calendar for address and directions.**

TENTATIVE Club Events for 2020 COB Official Planned Events (new/changed events are highlighted in yellow)

- July ?th Pittsfield Commons car show **Cancelled**
- July 25th Club 45th Anniversary Picnic at Bob & Darlene Rodowicz
- Aug 9th Paolo Lombardi restaurant (Larry & Sandy) ??? <https://paololombardis.com/>
- Sept 13th Jets and Vettes (Fran & Nancy) www.neam.org
- Oct 3rd VIP Corvette Show Elks Lodge Ballston Spa
- **Nov ?? International Dinner -- Looking for sponsor and date???**
- Dec 7th Zucchini's (Carmen) www.zucchinisrestaurant.com
- Jan 23rd 2021 Mazzeo's (Joanne & Donnie)

Possible additional events in 2020: Check calendar for current updates!

- Sept 4th to 6th Adirondack Vette Fest
- Date ?? Washington Car Show (Butch)
- Oct – Nov ?? Jackson's Old Chatham Inn (Fran & Nancy) www.jacksonsoldchathamhouse.com
- Vermont Country Inn and supper at Publyk House www.thepublykhouse.com
- TBA Picnic at Shaun Hebert's camp in Vermont.

Recurring events 2020 –

- Hemmings (Thursdays) (Fri) July 10th, Aug 13th
- Kringle's Candle Bernardston Sunday car shows www.kringlecandle.com
- 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 1st and every Wednesday
- Prestige Auto Clifton Park Every 2nd Saturday 9-12.
- Ozzie's (Thursdays) TBA ozziessteakandeggs.com/
- Guptill's Ice Cream Latham NY www.regionalfoodbank.net/event/guptills-car-shows
- Ice Cream/supper cruise to Gardner's in Stephentown. Last Friday of each Month - May to October (Cruise-in)

Treasurer's report: No Report for this meeting.

Raffle: No Raffle!

- **NOTE** Next COB Meeting is Wednesday July 1st Location tentatively at Best Buy Parking lot at the Berkshire Mall. Time 6:00 Meeting starts as soon as people finish eating. Dave will adjust the meeting date if weather becomes an issue.

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 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), we are quickly climbing out of the 18th 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) - with any details you want posted with the picture (Year, Paint Color, etc.).

Submitted by; Fran Bourdon, Secretary.