

MVPA Conference Call ZOOM BOD Meeting

8 March 2023

The agenda is as follows:

1. By-Laws update
2. Members not receiving "E blasts"
3. 2023 Convention Update: Bill Scott
4. Future conventions
5. Committees as stated in the By-Laws
6. Lawsuit
7. Other business

1. Roll Call

Kevin Emdee - President - present

Mike Lusty - VP - present

Mike Wright - Secretary - present

R Harold West - Treasurer - present

John Adams Graff – Publications Director - present

Bill Scott - present

Tom Clark - present

Dan McLaren - present

Reg Hodgson - not present 2023 Convention Update

There were no general members in attendance.

2. Kevin Emdee called the meeting to order.

3. The issue of the by-laws new voting procedures was discussed. As a cost cutting measure facebook was used to get the by-laws changes out to the membership. Facebook AI caused issues. The decision is to not use FB in the future for official issues. The MVPA webpage and HiM will be used in the future.

4. There is an issue with members not receiving MVPA "email E-Blasts". It appears the issue is our email system. The use of a different system was recommended. Our webmaster is looking at upgrades that are at no cost. If this does not work, then other options will be explored.

5. Bill Scott gave an update on 2023 Convention Update. Some heavy armor will be attending. At least 2 x halftracks, 2 x tanks, a Locust, and a Stewart. Initial figures are down compared to prior conventions.

6. Future conventions. Bill Scott discussed a possible convention in Wisconsin for the 2024 convention. It would be at the site of the EAA in Oshkosh.

In 2025 Louisville, KY, may possibly host the convention. They still must present their proposal to the board. The OHIO motor pool is in contention for the 2026 convention. All these future convention possibilities still must be presented to the board for approval.

7. Bill Scott mentioned we need to have committees manned as stated in the by-laws. Tom Clark recommended Kevin Emdee look at standing them up as appropriate or having a by-law change vote brought before the membership. Kevin tasked the VP to review and present to the board recommendations.

8. Lawsuit. The MVPA is cleared from the lawsuit, however the local affiliate, the individual and the town of Millington are still involved in the lawsuit. What can the MVPA / MVPA-HA return to now with the conclusion is the question. After discussions with the lawyer, Kevin MVPA president and Harold West, MVPA-HA president will present recommendations at a later date.

9. Kevin will discuss the lawsuit and judgement and the way ahead in the next issue of Him.

10. Tom Clark discussed random posting of "cut and paste" onto Facebook from other sites without giving proper credit and what we can do to prevent this and any liability the MVPA might incur. JAG will post on a regular basis on our FB sites to credit photos as appropriate.

11. The board decided to investigate ways to increase the security of the MVPA HQ building. The cost is estimated to be around \$6,000.00.

12. Kevin Emdee concluded the general membership meeting, and the board went into executive session.

Respectfully submitted,
Mike Wright, MVPA Secretary