

Wheel Issues

Newsletter of the **Eastern Nebraska Western Iowa Car Council**
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Regular meetings are held on the third Wednesday of every month alternating between Omaha and Lincoln. Officers and representatives of member organizations are asked to sign in before the meeting, and guests are always welcome. Meetings begin at 7:30 PM - many arrive early for dinner.

Omaha meetings are held at the Tangier Shrine Center, 2823 South 84th Street. Lincoln meetings are held at the Pizza Ranch, 8420 Lexington Avenue.

MEETING DATES FOR 2018

LINCOLN: May 16, July 18, September 19, November 21

OMAHA: June 20, August 15, October 17, December 19

If a weather advisory exists for a meeting, it will be canceled and business is carried over to the next month.

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Clubs in Attendance at the April 18, 2018 Meeting

AMC's of the Midwest
Centennial Model "T" Club

Classy Chassis Car Club – Red Oak
Cornhusker Early Ford V8 Club-Lincoln
Council Bluffs Model "A" Club
Crossroads Car Club – Plattsmouth
Dave Volmer (Independent)
Heartland Chevelle Club
Husker Chapter Studebaker Drivers
Midwest Antique Auto Club
Midwest Street Rod Ass'n – Omaha
Mustang Car Club of Omaha
Nebraska Region AACA
Omaha Early Ford V-8 Club
River City Classics
Vintage Iron Car Club

Capitol City Ford & Mustang Club
Chevrolet Classics Club Omaha/Council
Bluffs

Cornhusker Corvette Club
Cornhusker Model "A" Club –Lincoln
Crossroads Chpt – Buick Club – America
Cruis'n Classics – Lincoln
Flatwater Austin Healey Club
Hudson-Essex-Terraplane Club
Meadowlark Model "A" Club
Midwest Early Corvette Club
Misfits Hot Rods Car Club
Nebraska Corvette Assn.
Nifty Fifties Ford Club
Rebels Auto Club-Lincoln
Slo Rollers of NW Missouri
W P C Club – Greater Omaha Region

-GUESTS-

Nebraska Rod and Custom Association

MEETING MINUTES –April 18, 2018

The Pledge of Allegiance was presented.

INTRODUCTIONS

Meeting started at 7:30 PM

President Ron Gillis asked that everyone sign in on the attendance sheet and to correct their information as needed on the Car Council Representative list.

GUESTS ADDRESSING THE COUNCIL

No guests this evening

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Next week we are going to be reviewing with Paul Swanson the number of Car Council books that we received and laying out a plan for next year. There may be some corrections to the minutes in the future as to the distribution of the books that we thought we had received this year. Motion to approve the minutes as printed by Michael Dixon. Motion seconded by Jay Johnson. Motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Treasurer Connie Johnson read the Treasurer's report. Lloyd Burke made a motion to approve the Treasurer's report as read. Kerry Fox seconded the motion. Motion carried.

There was one bill presented by Cindy Wimmer for the postage and printing of the April newsletter in the amount of \$78.53. A bill was submitted for the Post Office box renewal in the amount of \$90.00. There was a bill presented by Jim Snyder in the amount of \$53.60 for production of the Hobbyist of the Year Award. Motion to approve payment of the bills as presented by Jim McNeil. Motion was seconded by Boyd Ready. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

2018 CAR COUNCIL BOOK UPDATE

Ron Gillis and Connie Johnson will be meeting at the Omaha World Herald with Paul Swanson to go over the procedures for the books for next year. Ron offered tonight's attendees the opportunity to meet with them. No one volunteered to go with them.

SWAP MEET

Kerry Fox reported on the 2018 Swap Meet. The Event Center has not sent us next year's contract at this time. He thought he would have it last week, but it hasn't showed up. This year everything went smooth as normal. We had to stop collecting for parking one hour early this year because of the wind and cold weather. There was approximately a \$5,000.00 loss from that shortened parking period. Next year they are looking at adding and changing some jobs. They are going to try to control the grounds a little bit better which would take another job. Another thing that was brought to their attention was that some vendors weren't supplied spotter crews at one of the doors of the buildings. They will need a watch dog to monitor that door next year.

As for the invoice for the billing this year, the new employee at the Event Center was a lot more efficient. The bill was spot on what the estimate was. They were happy with that. They are going to try to move more vendors into the Gana lot next year. The bill for the police officer was less than expected.

Kerry and Frank want all club representatives to pass on their gratitude to their clubs for everyone that came out to work. We couldn't do without you. A round of applause was given for everyone that volunteered their time and for Kerry and Frank and their tireless work thru out the year.

LEGISLATIVE REPORT

Dave Volmer gave a report on the Legislative bills that were somewhat relative to our Council. He reported that today was the last day of the session. It was a short session. LB909 was sent to the Governor and signed on the 11th of April. It has an emergency clause so that it will go into effect immediately. It was for the registration of assembled vehicles. LB 1009 increased the speed limits on certain roads by 5 miles per hour. That bill passed. There are a lot of carry-over bills that will expire and have to be reintroduced next year. There is a list of bills at the end of these minutes for your review.

NEW BUSINESS HOBBYIST OF THE YEAR AWARD

Jim Snyder presented the Hobbyist of the year award to Jim McNeil. Jim is always helping someone, works at the swap meet each year, and is always busy working on race cars and classic cars. Congratulations Jim McNeil!



CHANGE TO THE BY-LAWS

The By-laws state that the minimum of \$10.00 is paid each year for every club that is an active member in the Eastern Nebraska Western Iowa Car Council.

The Nebraska Rod and Custom Association (NRCA) has approached the Council requesting to become a member of the council. They have over 1800 members currently, but at 25 cents per member, their cost would be approximately \$450.00 per year. They are asking that we reduce their cost and they would join. We currently have approximately 3200 members. The highest cost we charge for a club right now is approximately \$80.00 per year. The NRCA is currently getting a lot of their books by attending our swap meet. They also are currently advertising in our Car Council Book each year. Member Jim Stanley has had the same problem with a club in Iowa. They also wanted a reduced rate to join because they have a large amount of members. In Iowa there is an organization called "Rick's List" which is similar to our event calendar in the Car Council book.

There was a lot of discussion about the price being capped at \$150.00. We will also be presenting this idea at the Lincoln meeting in May. We would set dues at a minimum of \$10.00 and a maximum of \$150.00. We need to talk about this at both the Omaha and Lincoln meetings before we pass this law.

A motion was made to change the bylaws to have a .25 cents membership fee per member or a \$10.00 minimum fee or a \$150.00 maximum fee charged to be a member of the ENWICC made by Jim McNeil. Motion seconded by Michael Dixon. Motion carried by the Omaha, Easter Iowa and NW Missouri groups in attendance. Motion to be ratified at the Lincoln meeting in May.

Car Club Applying for Membership into the Car Council No new clubs

Correction of the Riverfest Car Show to July 7th 2018.

Scholarships

Jim Snyder reported on the applications. He has only received 7 applications after sending out 108 applications. They are having a real problem getting students to fill out the applications for the scholarships. Ron Gillis talked about his club also having trouble giving out scholarship money. They found a new way to get the money to the students. We may need to change the way that we approach the scholarship program we provide. This is something that we will look at next year. But in the meantime we will be finishing up this year's scholarship program by the end of May. The cut-off date was April 15th, 2018.

UPCOMING EVENTS

AMC'S had to postpone their car show due to bad weather. More information to come in the future on rescheduling that event.

Jay Johnson talked about the June 3 Tangier Benefits Day. Dash plaques, 50/50 raffles. On South 84th Street, Omaha.

Swap Meet at Speedway Motors is postponed until April 28, 2018.

June 30th, not in the book. Junior ROTC in Council Bluffs, Mall of the Bluffs, Madison Exit. Abraham Lincoln High School is the sponsor. 9 – 3pm.

MISCELLANEOUS ANNOUNCEMENTS

Al Enfield passed away on April 6th. He was 73 years old and an avid car enthusiast.

There was a handmade trophy on one of the tables tonight. It is the Misfits Club Participation Trophy that will be given out at Riverfest on July 7th, 2018. Not necessary to preregistered, just attend the event as a club.

Past President Roger Neeman in on the mend. Best wishes to him.

Past Events

Wahoo Swap Meet was not well attended due to the horrible weather.

Shows, Swap Meets and Auctions Promoted at the Meeting

None

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting ended at 8:37 PM

Motion to adjourn by Kerry Fox. Motion seconded by Mike Dixon. Motion carried.

NEXT MEETING

In Lincoln on May 16, 2018

MEMBERSHIP DUES

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Dues are 25 cents per member per year for each club, with a minimum charge of \$10.00 for each club. Dues are due October 1st and are delinquent **December 31st**. If not yet made, bring payment to the next meeting, or mail dues to the Treasurer.

**Each club is entitled to receive two copies of the Wheel Issues newsletter. It is the responsibility of each club to inform us of any changes in mailing information. You can submit changes in writing by mailing them to:
Secretary, ENWICC, PO Box 106, Blair, NE 68008,
or at the next meeting of the Eastern Nebraska Western Iowa Car Council.**

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It costs the Car Council to print and mail on average \$3.50/newsletter for each one sent. Help us lower our expenses and get your copy of "Wheel Issues" by e-mail. Please provide your e-mail address to the Secretary at the next Council meeting to receive it directly.



HOUSEKEEPING ITEMS

COUNCIL BY-LAWS – CURRENT EDITION AVAILABILITY

A copy of the most-current revision of the By-Laws, which was revised in 2016 and does include the current dues policy, is available. Those wishing a copy of this are asked to contact the Secretary to obtain one.

PLEASE STAND AND SPEAK UP!!

Due to the open layout and large size of the Crescent meeting room in Omaha, as well as the configuration of the meeting room in Lincoln, it is difficult for many attendees to hear conversations and discussion during the meeting. PLEASE stand and speak up for the benefit of attendees and the Secretary so that accurate notes can be obtained. It would also be appreciated if non-related conversations be kept at a minimum during the business portion of the meeting as a courtesy to attendees.

AGENDA ORDER – NO EVENT DISCUSSION BEFORE IT'S TIME, PLEASE

Representatives are reminded that meetings of the Council follow an established agenda as follows
(* - When Required):

1. **Call to Order**
2. **Pledge of Allegiance**
3. **Opening/Introductions** - President
- 4.* **Guests Addressing/Presenting to the Council***
5. **Approval of Minutes** of Last Meeting
6. **Treasurer's Report** - Treasurer
7. **Old Business** (Items carried over from previous meetings)
8. **New Business** (Items new to the agenda not previously discussed, **excluding** events discussion/promotion)
9. **Past Events** (Discussion of recently-held events)
10. **Upcoming Events** (Promotion/Discussion of upcoming events)
- 11.* **New Clubs** wishing to join the Council*
12. **Adjournment** - President

NEW AGENDA ITEMS: If you have an item that should be included in the Agenda for the next meeting, please notify the Secretary prior to the beginning of the meeting by calling the President or emailing president@enwicc.com to arrange for its addition.

EVENTS DISCUSSION: Discussion of past and upcoming events is to be held following close of New Business as the last items before adjournment. Please help meetings proceed in a more-orderly fashion by withholding discussion of events until that portion of the agenda is opened by the President or presiding officer.

ENWICC'S MISSION

To serve all member clubs and their individual members in a spirit of cooperation and fraternity.

To encourage the acquisition, restoration, preservation, and maintenance of collectible old and special interest automobiles.

To serve as a clearing house for historical and technical information beneficial to and required by member clubs.

To support sound and protective legislation and regulatory actions. To defend vigorously the rights and privileges of the old car and the special interest hobbies to use of the public highways, byways, and streets. To protect and assure sound licensing provisions in State Laws and local ordinances.

To publicize our hobby: to bring favorable public reaction to bear upon the hobby, and to make legislative authorities and the general public aware of the existence of the hobby and the intrinsic value of preserving a part of automotive history.

To perform such other promotional and community service programs as will reflect to the credit and success of the automotive hobby



ENWICC Legislative Update
(David Vollmer, 4-18-18, 60th legislative day)

1. This year will be the Second Session of the 105th Nebraska Legislature (Short Session - 60 legislative days, scheduled adjournment April 18th). January 3rd was opening day, bills introduced through January 18th. Committee hearings started January 16th, full-day floor debate February 28th. The asterisks flag bills considered to have most Council interest. ("G. F." = General File, the first stage after majority committee vote moves a bill to the floor, "S. F." = Select File, the last opportunity for floor debate and amendments. "F. R." = Final Reading, the bill is in final form, with amendments incorporated, to be presented to the governor for signature. Bills with an emergency clause (suffix "e") take effect immediately if a date isn't specifically stated; otherwise non-emergency bills take effect 90 days after the Unicameral adjourns.) **Boldface** flags changes from previous report.

2. The following are vehicle related bills that have moved out of committee for action by the full legislature.

- a. **LB42.** Introduced by Sen. Hilkemann. Change protection system provisions for children, adopts federal safety provisions. Carryover bill, to FR Mar 20th, **signed by the Governor April 4th.**
- b. **LB83.** Introduced by Sen. Blood. Adds "physician medical director" to personnel allowed use of emergency vehicle lights. Carryover bill, to G F Mar 2nd 2017.
- c. **LB258.** Intro by Sen. Matt Hansen. Inmates could get state IDs or drivers licenses before release. Judiciary Comm Carryover bill, to FR Feb 12th, **signed by the Governor April 17th.**
- * d. **LB275.** (Carryover bill from First Session) Introduced by Sen. Dan Hughes of Venango. Prescribes requirements for law officers and owners for removal of vehicles designated abandoned. T & T Comm, A letter was sent by the Car Council concerning implementation. Hearing was held Feb 6th 2017. Clarifying language was added by amendment stating that removal would be at the request of the property owner and would apply only to vehicles "abandoned or trespassing" on the property without the owner's permission. Started on General File in the Second Session, advanced to Final reading on Feb 21st, signed by the Governor Feb 28th.
- e. **LB347.** (Carryover bill) Introduced by Sen. Geist of Lincoln at the request of the Governor. Provides for mutual recognition of operators licenses with a foreign country T & T Comm, Signed by the Governor Feb 15, 2018.
- * f. **LB355.** (Carryover bill) Intro by Sen Kate Bolz Provides for Plates for Native American Cultural Awareness and History. T & T G F Feb 21, 2017.
- g. **LB368.** (Carryover bill) Introduced by Sen. Lowe. Changes helmet and eye protection provisions for motorcycle and moped operators. T & T Comm, Remains on G F Designated a priority bill for Sen Krist Jan 3, 2018.
- * h. **LB400.** (Carryover bill) Introduced by Sen Hilkemann. Refunds of registration and licensing based on unexpired days or months for additional conditions. T & T Comm,. Remains on G F.
- i. **LB860.** Introduced by Sen. Curt Friesen of Henderson. Compensation to motor vehicle dealers for recalls and stop-orders would be required from manufacturers and distributors. Assigned to T & T Comm, hearing Jan 22nd. To G F Jan 25th.
- j. **LB895.** Introduced by Sen. Suzanne Geist of Lincoln. Changes provisions related to titling of flood damaged vehicles, discharge of liens, Dept of Motor Vehicle procedures. T & T Comm, Hearing Jan 22nd. To G F Jan 25th.
- k. **LB896.** Introduced by Sen. Suzanne Geist of Lincoln. Change provisions pertaining to electronic certificates of title applicable to salvage vehicles, the electronic dealer system, and the DMV. T & T Comm, Hearing Jan 22nd, to G F Jan 25th.
- * l. **LB909e.** Introduced by Sen. Bruce Bostelman of Brainard. Would change titling and registration provisions pertaining to assembled vehicles, kit vehicles, reconstructed and replica vehicles. T & T Committee, Hearing Jan 30th. Designated a T & T Comm priority bill Feb 20th. To G F Mar 13th with amendment, **sent to Governor Ap 6th, signed Ap 11th.**
- m. **LB989.** Introduced by Sen. Anna Wishart of Lincoln. Authorizes a city of the primary class to test autonomous vehicles ("self driving") that would be used on its roadways. T & T Comm. Hearing Feb 13th, **to FR Ap 110th.**
- * n. **LB1009.** Introduced by Sen. John Murante of Gretna. Establishes a "super-two" rural highway classification. Raises most maximum highway speed limits 5 miles per hour. T & T Comm. Hearing Feb 6th. Designated a priority bill for Sen Hughes Feb 20th. **Signed by Governor Ap 17th.**
- * o. **LB1011.** Introduced by Sen. BurkeHarr of Omaha. Drivers required to slow or move to adjacent lane when approaching vehicles stopped to perform maintenance or towing. T & T Comm. Hearing Feb 12th, **to GF Mar 12th**
- p. **LB1030.** Introduced by Sen. Curt Friesen of Henderson. Revises sales tax rules for public power vehicles. Revenue Comm. Hearing Feb 15th, to GF Mar 13th.

3. The following are vehicle related bills that have been assigned to a committee, had public hearings, but remain in committee.

- * a. **LB671.** Introduced by Sen. Bob Krist of Omaha. Changes violations of seat belt permit provisions from a secondary to a primary offense. Also prohibits cell phones by bus drivers. Assigned to Transportation and Telecommunications Committee Hearing Jan 23rd
- * b. **LB711.** Introduced by Sen. Roy Baker of Lincoln. Requirement for use of seat belts would apply to rear seat passengers also. References to federal regulations updated. T & T Comm Hearing Jan 23rd.

- c. **LB740.** Introduced by Sen. Brett Lindstrom of Omaha. Provisions for registration and licensing of metropolitan utility district vehicles and trailers. Assigned to T & T Comm. Hearing Jan 30th
- * d. **LB754.** Introduced by Sen. Tom Brewer of Gordon. State park permits could be purchased while registering a motor vehicle online. Natural Resources Committee. Hearing Jan 25th
- e. **LB755.** Introduced by Sen. Brewer. The restriction to daytime use only for all-terrain and utility-type vehicles would be removed. T & T Committee, Hearing Jan 30th
- f. **LB796.** Introduced by Sen. Mike McDonnell of Omaha. Distribution of the fee for an ignition interlock permit would be changed. T & T Comm. Hearing Jan 16th. Hearing Jan 30th
- g. **LB830.** Introduced by Sen. Tony Vargas of Omaha. Would change responsibilities under the Motor Vehicle Industry Regulation Act. T & T Committee. Hearing Jan 30th
- h. **LB926.** Introduced by Sen. Sue Crawford of Bellevue. Members of the armed forces on active duty would be exempt from motor vehicle taxes. Revenue Committee.
- i. **LB1049.** Introduced by Sen. Harr of Omaha. Expands definition of low speed vehicles to include 3wheel vehicles with a maximum speed of 25 mph. T & T Comm. Hearing Feb 1st.
- j. **LB1063.** Introduced by Sen. McDonnell of Omaha. A portion of fees for new motorcycle and auto drivers licenses would assist victims of traumatic brain injury. T & T Comm. Hearing Feb 13th.
- k. **LB1122.** Intro by Sen. Larson of O'Neill. Testing of automated vehicles authorized. T & T Comm. Hearing Feb 13th
- l. **LB1136.** Introduced by Sen. Clements of Elmwood. Provides a means for multi-state auction dealers who sell vehicles for insurance companies or charities to obtain titles. T & T Comm. Hearing Feb 12th

5. For status and copies of specific bills, call (800)-742-7456 or (402)-471-2709. A subscription to "Unicameral Update" is available by mail, with a time lag of a week plus. Alternately, for essentially current status, the web address is www.nebraskalegislature.gov.

6. Notes on the legislative process and citizen input.

- a. The first 10 legislative days are designated for bill introduction by individual senators. Each senator is allowed up to 10 introductions, one of which can be designated a priority bill. Committees can select two, the speaker can select 25.
- b. Committees can hold, indefinitely postpone, or advance bills. The chairman manages the process within committees, the speaker when or if a bill reaches the floor.
- c. In person testimony at the public hearings has a great impact on the fate of a given bill. Letters, emails, and even phone calls to the committee can be effective if submitted in advance to be part of the hearing record. Communications received before the committee acts on the bill will generally still be considered in committee deliberations. When, or if, a bill reaches the floor, communication should be with individual senators.

7. The following are carryover bills from the First Session (2017).

- a. **LB21** Introduced by Senator Merv Riepe of Ralston. Adds garages and repair shops to requirement for insurance coverage for loaner vehicles. Assigned to Banking, Commerce and Insurance Committee.
- * b. **LB41.** Introduced by Sen. Hikemann. Change enforcement of child restraint systems from secondary to a primary offense T & T Committee,.
- c. **LB54.** Introduced by Sen. Paul Schumacher. Adds an exception for unattended vehicles and remote keys
- d. **LB70.** Introduced by Sen. Pansing Brooks of Lincoln. Allows probation status to be considered in license revocation. Assigned to T & T Committee,
- e. **LB82.** Introduced by Sen. Carol Blood of Bellevue. Requires state Drivers Manual to include safety information pertaining to traffic stops. Judiciary
- f. **LB84.** Intro Sen. Blood. Evidence of damages resulting from driving under the influence can be used in civil actions
- g. **LB116.** Introduced by Sen. Burk Harr of Omaha. Extends coverage of auto liability policies. Banking, Commerce
- h. **LB143.** Introduced by Sen. Curt Friesen of Henderson. Power district vehicles would not be required to carry registration on the vehicle or trailer. T & T Comm,
- i. **LB168.** Introduced by Sen. Laura Ebke of Crete. Changes provisions relative to payment claims under auto liability policies. Banking, Commerce and Insurance and Judiciary Committee s
- * j. **LB279.** Reintroduced by Sen. Hilkemann. Seat belts to be required on school buses. T & T Comm.,
- k. **LB290.** Introduced by Sen. Tony Vargus of Omaha. Automatic voter registration when applying for drivers licenses, state IDs. Government, Military and Veteran Affairs Committee
- l. **LB294.** Introduced by Sen. Jim Smith of Papillion. Provides for mutual recognition of operators licenses with a foreign country. T & T Comm,
- m. **LB357.** Introduced by Sen. Kate Bolz. Increases title fees for out of state vehicles. T & T Comm.,
- n. **LB471.** Introduced by Sen. Rick Kolowski. Removes reference to enforcement against texting as a secondary offense.
- o. **LB531.** Introduced by Sen. Harr. Change sales tax fees.
- p. **LB587.** Introduced by Sen. Crawford. Changes provisions for school permits.-available statewide.
- * q. **LB627.** Introduced by Sen. Tyson Larson of O'Neill. Self driving vehicles would be permitted.
- r. **LB643.** Introduced by Sen. Bob Krist of Omaha. Increase financial liability requirements for auto liability insurance.