

## **Chicagoland Toys For Tots Board Meeting**

**December 16, 2025**

### **Attendance:**

Tom Dertz #455 – President

Sharon Choate #1798 – Vice President

Wanda Perlinski #543 – Secretary

Matt Ksycki #1747 - Sargent at Arms

Richard Link #1853 – Northside Coordinator

Bruce Weaver #843 – Product Coordinator

Kelly Doherty #1759 – Parade Coordinator

### **Visitors:**

Garry Novak - #2138

Karen Novak - #2139

Tom Mantel - #549

Maynard Marsh - #944

Frank Camerino - #2080

Meeting was called to order at 7:04 p.m. by Sargent at Arms,  
Matt Ksycki

The meeting was held at Edison Park Inn because we were  
there for the pick up of toys.

Motion to approve the minutes from November 18<sup>th</sup>, 2025 board meeting was made by Matt and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Tom. All were in favor.

**Vice President: Sharon Choate**

She needs rosters from the committees of who attended the parade. She will check and make sure they are active members this year before their rockers are given to them. She has Matt's, Bruce's and Richard's.

There are toys in both warehouses.

Our 5013C is in jeopardy. We need to find out from Sandy if she sent back in the information requested.

She needs the Northside Coordinator job responsibilities.

Next year's parade, we need to start on time or after not what the police say when it is bad weather. We had a few people that were unloading their bikes at 87<sup>th</sup> St and didn't get into the parade. Also people came out to drop off toys and the parade was over.

**Secretary: Wanda Perlinski**

She asked if she should reach out to Cook County Forest Preserve, Jose to see about the return of our deposit and ask him about refunding us the time the county police didn't work. They only were there from 6:00 a.m. to 9:45 a.m. Sharon said yes Wanda will reach out since she had the most contact with him.

She advised that she needs more member handbooks and Kim doesn't have anymore. She is current on the new members but will need them for next year. Sharon said let's wait because we will need to review them and make some changes in 2026.

**Treasurer: Sharon Choate in for Sandy Scheel**

As of 12-16-25:

General Checking: \$28,464.97

Product Account: \$37,501.48

**Sargent at Arms: Matt Ksycki**

We need to work on a timeline for next years parade.

Brian Kozinski is working on standard operating procedures for the 87<sup>th</sup> St. lot.

**Northside Coordinator: Rick Link**

DePaul was plowed at 5:00 a.m. when he got there. He doesn't know why people are saying it wasn't.

He will have to work on better gate control next year. It has to be tightened up.

Member 400 and 434 had an argument and 434 gave up his vest.

**Parade Coordinator: Kelly Doherty**

Parade went well. The condo was not an issue this year.

All radios are back and the porta potties were picked up.

**Product Coordinator: Bruce Weaver**

There is going to be a warehouse sale to sell our 2025 product at normal prices on Thursday December 18, 2025 from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m.

We have to pick up the toys for Pelican Harry's in Homer Glen on December 17, 2025 at 6:00 p.m.

He will be picking up toys from Shanahan's, and Nicky Gaming.

He will be at Thirsty Taveren selling product on Saturday December 20, 2026.

BB1 will be at the Southside Meeting.

Motion to adjourn made by Wanda and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Matt at 7:35 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

Wanda Perlinski, Secretary