

THE TIN LIZZIES OF ALBUQUERQUE, INCORPORATED

BYLAWS

ARTICLE I

Name

The name of this Club is the Tin Lizzies of Albuquerque, Inc., a chapter of the Model T Ford Club of America, Inc.

ARTICLE II

Object

The object of this Club is to encourage the acquisition, preservation, restoration, and driving of Model T Ford basic components; to promote good will and fellowship among members and the community.

ARTICLE III

Members

Section 1. Active Members:

are members of this Club who comply with its membership requirements in the bylaws and with the membership requirements of the Model T Ford Club of America.

Section 2. Life Members:

a. Members who are Founding Members of The Tin Lizzies of Albuquerque and who have paid a one-time payment of \$120 dues to the general Club treasury will no longer pay annual dues. Spouse may become a Life Member and pays no annual dues.

b. Members in good standing for four years of continuous membership who have paid a one-time payment of \$150 to the general Club treasury will no longer pay annual dues. Spouse may become a Life Member and pays no annual dues.

c. Members in good standing for four years of continuous membership who have reached the age of 80 years by December 31st become Life Members on January 1st of the next calendar year and will no longer pay annual dues. Spouse may become a Life Member and pays no annual dues.

Section 3. Honorary Members:

Upon the signed recommendation of one member and seconded by another member, and by a three fourths (3/4) vote by ballot. Honorary membership may be conferred upon an adult resident of New Mexico who shall have rendered notable service to the Tin Lizzies of Albuquerque. An honorary member shall have none of the obligations of membership in the Club, but shall be entitled to all the privileges except those of making motions, of voting, and of holding office. Honorary members will be honorary members for life and will receive the newsletter for one year.

ARTICLE IV Dues and Finance

Section 1. **Active Membership Dues** are \$12 with a \$3 dues for a voting spouse or family member.

Section 2. **Local Dues** are to be paid annually no later than January 31.

Section 3. Dues are determined by a 2/3 affirmative vote at a regular meeting.

ARTICLE V Disciplinary Procedure

Section 1. The **Board of Directors** shall have the summary power by a majority vote of its members, to suspend, or expel or terminate the membership of a member, for conduct which, in the opinion of the Board, disturbs the order, harmony, business, or who impairs the good name, good will, popularity, or prosperity of this Club; or for violation of these bylaws or any other rules and regulations of the club; or for non-payment of dues. Disciplinary action by the Board shall be final and conclusive.

Section 2. After the expiration of the time set forth in any suspension by the Board, the suspended member may petition the Board for reinstatement. A two thirds (2/3) affirmative vote of the members at any regular meeting shall be required to approve the reinstatement of the suspended member.

ARTICLE VI Officers

Section 1. The elected Officers of this Club shall be a President, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer.

Section 2. Election shall be by ballot to serve for one year and until their successors are elected. Term of office shall begin January 1.

Section 3. If only one candidate is nominated for an office, a voice vote is taken and a majority vote shall elect.

Section 4. Officers shall attend all meetings called by the President or the Board.

Section 5. Duties of the Officers;

A. **President** shall:

1. Have overall charge of activities, functions, and business of the Club; and such other duties and authority adopted by the Club.
2. Appoint the Editor of the Newsletter.
3. Appoint the representative to the Old Car Council.
4. Appoint the Phone Committee chairman.
5. Appoint the Activities Committee chairman.
6. Appoint any other non-elected officer.

7. Serve as ex-officio member of all committees with the exception of the Nominating Committee.
8. Prepare, prior to each meeting, an order of business, in cooperation with the secretary.
9. Shall be responsible for all club physical property.

B. Vice-President shall:

1. Serve in the absence of the President and perform any other duties as the president requires. If a vacancy occurs in the office of president, the vice-president shall assume the office until the annual election.

C. Secretary shall:

1. Keep a record of all proceedings of the Club.
2. File the Annual Corporation Commission report with the State of New Mexico by the due date.
3. File the Club's insurance application with the Model T Ford Club of America by the due date.
4. Keep the club's official membership roll and prepare a Club roster in cooperation with the Club's treasurer.
5. Forward articles for publication in "*The Vintage Ford*".
6. Reply to all correspondence as needed.
7. Keep on file all committee reports.
8. Advise the president of all matters, known in advance, of when to come up on the order of business.
9. Submit the minutes of meetings to the President and Editor as soon as possible after meetings.

D. Treasurer shall:

1. Collect all dues and moneys (such as advertisements due the Club).
2. Prepare a monthly statement for report at monthly meetings and to make it available to any requesting member.
3. Send a complete list of members to the Model T Ford Club of America by March 1.
4. Make records available to the auditing committee at the end of the term.

E. Directors shall:

1. Be elected annually to serve on the **Board of Directors**.
2. Be eligible to serve on committees.

ARTICLE VII

Meetings

Section 1. Regular meetings shall be held monthly with the time and place to be determined by the members. The regular meeting in November shall be known at the annual meeting and shall be for the purpose of electing officers, receiving reports of officers and committees, and for any other business that may arise.

Section 2. **Special meetings** may be called by the President or the Board and shall be called at the request of the members of the Club.

Section 3. Fifteen (15) members of the Club shall constitute a quorum.

Section 4. Each member in good standing is entitled to one vote.

Section 5. Electronic meetings may be called by the President or the Board or as Special Meetings. During Electronic meetings, members communicate through electronic means using telephone or Internet audio or audio-video conferencing software. The electronic technology utilized requires that all people present at the meeting are clearly audible to one another. Members will provide their own electronic devices for the meetings and are responsible for their electronic connections. The President will host and conduct the meetings or may delegate that responsibility to another member of the Board. Prior to the meeting, advance notice will provide essential Login information and members shall Sign in to the meeting. The presence of a quorum shall be established by a roll call at the beginning of the meeting. Electronic meetings shall follow Roberts Rules of Order, Newly Revised, regarding suggested procedures for electronic meetings. The Secretary shall take minutes that document the names of all participants, record motions and results of voting.

Section 6. Combined Regular and Electronic meetings may be called and shall be conducted according to Article VII, Sections 1-5.

ARTICLE VIII Board of Directors

Section 1. The elected officers of the Club, including the elected Directors, shall constitute the **Board of Directors**.

Section 2. The Board shall have general supervision of the affairs of the Club between business meetings.

Section 3. The Board shall be subject to the orders of the Club and none of its actions shall conflict with the actions taken by the Club. The Board may make recommendations to the Club.

Section 4. Four (4) members of the Board shall constitute a quorum.

ARTICLE IX Committees

Section 1. The Standing committees of the Club shall be:

- a. Program
- b. Activities
- c. Phone
- d. Old Car Council Representative
- e. Auditing

Section 2. Special Committees may be created by the members of the Club or the Board as necessary, to carry on the work of the Club.

Section 3. Committees shall report to the membership at the Annual Meeting and at regular meetings when needed.

Section 4. The President shall be ex-officio member of the Club committees with the exception of the nominating committee.

ARTICLE X Nominating Committee

Section 1. A **Nominating Committee** of the membership, with the consent of the candidates, shall present at least one candidate for each office, including Directors, in October to be voted upon at the November meeting.

Section 2. A majority vote shall elect.

Section 3. Each member in good standing is entitled to one vote.

ARTICLE XI Parliamentary Authority

In all cases not provided for in these Bylaws or the Bylaws of the Model T Ford Club of America, the current edition of *Robert's Rules of Order, Newly Revised*, shall govern the proceedings of the Club.

ARTICLE XII Amendments

These Bylaws may be amended at any meeting of the Club by a two thirds (2/3) affirmative vote of the voting members, provided that the amendment has been submitted in writing at the previous meeting or notice has been given in the Newsletter of the Club.

ARTICLE XIII Dissolution

In the event of dissolution of the Tin Lizzies of Albuquerque, Inc. the net assets shall be distributed as follows:

1. All liabilities and obligations shall be paid, satisfied, or discharged or adequate provisions shall be made.
2. All Remaining assets shall be distributed for scholarships as seen appropriate by the Board of Directors.

Bylaws Adopted April 24, 1979, Revised October 25, 1994, Amended July 28, 1998, Amended May 26, 2016, Amended April 22, 2021

STANDING RULES

1. At monthly meetings, the President, Vice-president, Secretary and the Treasurer shall sit at the head table.
2. Officers and Directors attend all meetings of the Club.
3. Meetings of the Board may be called by the President as needed.
4. Committees shall carry out their directives and report at the meetings of the Club.
5. Upon the death of a member of the Tin Lizzies of Albuquerque a \$50 memorial donation shall be made to the MTFCA museum. The members name shall be added to the club memorial plaque. (adopted 3/23/2017)
6. Donations can be made to the MTFCA Museum where short -erm matching funds are available but will expire before a scheduled Tin Lizzies of Albuquerque meeting is held. Under these circumstances the board is authorized to make donations of up to \$500 in \$50 dollar increments. This donation must not exceed 10% of the available funds. This donation can be requested by any Tin Lizzies of Albuquerque Club member but it requires voice approval of a quorum (4) of the current Board of Directors. (adopted 1/26/2017)
7. A Club member who joins MTFCA as a new member is entitled to receive a 1-year waiver of local annual Club dues. (adopted 2/26/2015)
8. When a Free MTFCA membership is available to the Chapter, it will be awarded according to their guidelines (adopted 1/25/2018, wording revised 11/16/23)
9. If a family member (family includes husband, wife, parents and children/grandchildren) of the Treasurer is elected President during the same term, then the bank signature cards must be changed to reflect the Treasurer and someone else, i.e. the Vice President or a Board member to sign checks if the Treasurer is not available. (adopted 11/15/2018).

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