

AMERICAN LEGION POST 34



February 15th, 2023

Legionnaire Meeting Minutes

CALL TO ORDER:

- Called to order at approximately 19:00 hrs. by Vice Cdr. Scott Edgell

OPENING CEREMONIES CONDUCTED.

LEGIONNAIRES PRESENT PROVIDING A QUORUM:

- Yes

LEGIONNAIRES PRESENT:

- Cdr.: Tom Cole – Not Present
- 1st Vice Cdr.: Scott Edgell
- 2nd Vice Cdr.: Mike Gics – Not Present
- Adjutant: Scott Brennan – Not Present
- Financial Officer: Charlie Melhorn
- Sgt. At Arms: Kurt Simms – Not Present
- Service Officer: Peter Cardinal – Not Present
- Historian: Reed Boring
- Chaplain: Ron Baldwin
- Member at Large: Mike Gamber
- Member at Large: Eric Godfrey

READING OF THE PREVIOUS MONTHS MINUTES:

- Motion to forgo the reading of the Meeting Minutes as they are available online and in printed format by Finance Officer Charlie Melhorn, second by Comrade Jim Vollrath and approved.

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS, VISITORS, AND NEW MEMBERS:

- Bill Gregor – Beacon Lodge – Lions Club Pennsylvania Alliance Project New Hope. Discussed project new hope and thanked us for our support.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Membership report presented by Finance Officer Charlie Melhorn:

- Legionnaire Membership Breakout:
 - Active: 516
 - 93% of district goal.
 - Expired: 103
 - 3 Deceased – Jeff Butch, Lloyd Elliot, and Glenn Barefoot

Financial report provided by Financial Officer, Charlie Melhorn.

- Home Association Balance: \$14,444.12
 - Post Account Balance: \$955.39
 - Games of Chance Account Balance: \$1,869.30
 - Combined Balance: \$17,268.81
 - Visa Account Balance: \$4,204.81 due March 23rd, 2023.
 - Visa points used to pay bills this month. Current balance \$572.72
 - Monthly expenses disclosed.
 - TEC balance will be clear as of February 16th, 2023. The building lien will be removed.
 - Monthly sales \$45,399.00
 - Small Games sales \$14,207
- Motion to approve the Finance report as provided by Chaplain Ron Baldwin, second by Member at Large Mike Gamber, approved.

New member report provided by Finance Officer Charlie Melhorn.

- New Member: Jay N. Schroeder – USA – Verified.
- New Member: Ted J. Danowski – USAF – Verified.
- New Member: Richard H. Herr – USN – Verified.
- New Member: Michael Travitz – USA – Verified.

Motion to approve new members Comrade Jim Volrath, Second Member at Large Mike Gamber. Approved.

SICK CALL, RELIEF, AND DEPLOYMENT:

None

Service Officer Report:

None

OLD BUSINESS:

None

NEW BUSINESS AND CORRESPONDANCES:

- 2nd Vice Cdr. Scott Edgell presented the current situation with our sewage line and the repairs required to allow proper use of our building facilities. The Legionnaire officers solicited three certified plumbers for cost and suggestions. Vice Cdr. Scott Edgell discussed the decision the executive board voted on to use Koser Excavating, Manheim to install the new pipe to resolve the sections of pipe that have deteriorated. He will allow us to finance the project cost @1.5% month. His project cost is \$15,500, with an NTE of \$18,500. This includes the cold patching of the driveway and road. This work can be done in 2 days, he will be doing the work in March. We will need to get future estimates to do final drive and road patch.

Motion to accept the Koser Excavating proposal by Comrade Jim Vollrath, Historian Reed Boring second. Discussion about all options. Approved.

- Comrade Jim Vollrath discussed that state and national need to be added to our rider. This is already in the works.
- Question regarding guests being able to play games of chance tickets, they are allowed. This has been confirmed with the LCB.
- Historian Reed Boring reported on the donation solicitation presented in previous meeting. The request was for a Hempfield student a \$50.00 relief donation for a school trip. Motion to approve the \$100.00 donation by Member at Large Mike Gamber, seconded by Chaplain Ron Baldwin. Approved.
- Comrade Jim Vollrath reminded us about the State Commanders dinner and that we should place an ad for the April Dinner.
- Second Vice Cdr. Discussed the need for volunteers to head fund raising initiatives.

MEMORIAL FOR DECEASED POST MEMBERS CONDUCTED.

NEXT AMERICAN LEGION POST 34 LEGIONNAIRES POST MEETING TO BE CONDUCTED March 15th, 2023.

CLOSING CEREMONIES CONDUCTED.

ADJOURNMENT:

- Meeting adjourned at approximately 19:45 hrs.

Respectfully submitted,

Scott Brennan

Adjutant