



Charles A. Woodford
American Legion Post 2007



28 January 2021 Minutes

The Commander called the meeting to order at 1910 hrs.

Roll call of Post officers: two excused absences Adjutant and Finance.

Introduction of special guest, 22nd District Commander Don Scheyer

Reading of the December 28, 2020 minutes. There were no corrections voiced. Rich Gaebel called the motion, and Doug Jameson seconded. Motion carried.

Committee Reports:

Membership: Bill Martin reported that we have 142 out of 152. That is 93.42%

Finance: Savings \$3,303.75, The Haven Savings \$17.00, Gifts to the Yanks Savings \$18.00, Honor Guard Savings \$56.00, and checking \$7,158.89.

Poppies: Commander Page will have dates by next meeting as some requirements are changing.

Veterans Affairs: The SCCVAC still is not meeting currently. The office does take appointments.

Community and Patriotic Observances: Les O'Neal proposed doing flag retirements with churches and Scout units, a garden plan for Rose Owen, and starting an Auxiliary. This is something for further discussion.

Honor Guard: Rich Gaebel reported that the shoulder braids have arrived. They are gold in color. He asked about the Lincoln Gala event on Feb 13. The Sr. Vice reported that the planning committee for this event will be discussing the rescheduling of this event due to COVID. As soon as a decision is made, information will be provided to us.

Americanism: No Report

Scouting: No Report

Constitution and By Laws: Jr Vice reported that he supplied additional copies for members at the Sgt at Arms table.

Gifts to the Yanks: No Report

Children and Youth: No Report

Oratorical: The Commander reported that we were approach by the 5th Division Commander. He asked if our Post would sponsor a contestant. The Commander wrote a check in the amount of \$150.00 to cover the entrance fee. This fee was due prior to our next scheduled meeting. The Commander also reported that Brianna "Breezy" Gray has been contacted by the Post informing her that the Post will sponsor her.

Boy State, Rehabilitation, Employment, Education, Post Service Officer, National Security, and Other Committees: No Reports

Sick Call: David Devine and his daughter. (COVID protocol), Robin Latdrick (hip and leg).

Unfinished Business:

Flag Boxes: No progress currently

Tree for Rose Owen: Les brought this up. Discussion was to put a landscape plan together for review by SCCHS. Jerry Sauerwein will see about getting a plan made.

Starting an Auxiliary: Information was presented about needing 10 members. Les O'Neal has additional information. Post members to pole to see if we have enough interest.

Blood Drive: Scheduled for Feb 24 3 to 6:30 at Swansea Improvement Association. We will be getting sign up and publicity items from Mississippi Valley very soon. Commander will get info out.

Next Messinger Cemetery Clean Up is February 13, 9 to Noon

Lincoln Gala February 13 at 6 PM pending committee decision.

Correspondence:

One letter for the City of Belleville inviting us to attend 2020 Veterans Day Event.

New Business:

Repair of Horseshoe Pits at Swansea Improvement Association: Asked for someone to head a planning committee to see what we need to do to make repairs and provide materials list.

Memorial to Departed Member:

Don Wisner passed January 10, 2021.

Bob Burrack's wife Caroline passed January 15, 2021

For the Good of the Legion:

There was an idea of putting an event together. This event would be a "Welcome Home" to encourage members to come to meetings. We could add a flag retirement and food.

Commander spoke of the pride he has in the Post. Always looking for ways to get better in our community.

50/50 Results: We collected \$28, Bill Martin won \$14 and donated it to the Honor Guard.

Next Meeting is February 22, Executive meeting at 6:30 and General meeting at 7 PM.

Meeting Adjourned at 2010 hrs.