

**The American Legion
BERNARD A. BENDLE Post 294
3440 N. Morrish Rd.
P.O. Box 66
Swartz Creek, MI 48473**

DATE: 04-11-2021

10 MINUTE WARNING: 9:50 A.M.

CALL TO ORDER: 10:00 AM

Opening Prayer: John Gilbert

PLEDGE: ALL

PREAMBLE: ALL

ROLL CALL OF OFFICERS:

SGT-AT-ARMS: Bud Grimes, acting, Present

HISTORIAN: Dave Lopez, Present

SERVICE OFFICER: Scott Osborn, Present

CHAPLAIN: John Gilbert, Present

FINANCE OFFICER: Todd Beedy, Present

2nd VICE COMMANDER: Ken Cogswell, Absent

1st VICE COMMANDER: Gary Goodall, Present

ADJUTANT: Timothy Hill, Present

COMMANDER: John Kayanek, Present

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS: SGT at Arms, Bud Grimes reported that we have 16 members and 5 visitors.

- 1. Paul Spanolia, Commander, S.A.L. Squadron 294**
- 2. Dan Spanolia, SAL Sqaudron 294**

- 3. John Knickerbocker, SAL Squadron 294**
- 4. Michael Parenteau, prospective new member.**
- 5. Terry Sitton, prospective new member (transfer from 225).**

READING OF THE MINUTES FROM THE PREVIOUS MEETING:

Before the minutes could be read, Todd Beedy stated that no where in the Roberts Rules of Order is it written that the minutes or finance report have to be read at the meetings. They have to be prepared and made available if requested. Todd made a motion to discontinue the reading of the minutes unless specifically requested by a member. 2nd by Steve Harrington. Massive discussion ensued. Motion passed. Don Rubino requested that a short version of the minutes from the March meeting be read. Tim Hill then proceeded to read the March minutes. Scott Osborn made the motion to approve the minutes as written, 2nd by Bruce Badgley, motion passed.

1st VICE COMMANDER's REPORT:

Stated that we had \$2600.00 donated to the Post this past Month. Bottles and cans are still coming in. Thank you all for your support.

BALLOTING AND APPLICATIONS AND INITIATION OF

CANDIDATES: We currently have Michael Parenteau, US Navy wanting to rejoin our Post. We also have Terry Sitton who wishes to transfer from Post 225 to our Post. He will be here a little later to sign the necessary paperwork and show copy of DD-214. Motion by Gary Goodall to accept, 2nd by Larry Luchenbill. Motion passed.

2nd VICE COMMANDER COMMITTEE REPORTS: No Report

FIANCE REPORT: Finance report by Todd Beedy. Motion to approve pending audit by Tim Hill, 2nd by Scott Osborn. Discussion: Todd request an audit since we have not really done much in the past year. motion passed.

SICK CALL, RELIEF AND EMPLOYMENT:

- 1. Please pray for our sick members and their families.**
- 2. Spencer Southerby needs our thoughts and prayers.**
- 3. Larry Jean needs our thoughts and prayers.**

POST SERVICE OFFICER'S REPORT: Scott Osborn stated that he had nothing to report.

10 MINUTE BREAK:

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- 1. Todd Beedy stated that if we so desire, we can proceed with the remodel of the bathrooms but remember we also have a parking lot to keep in mind for repair, container, hall floor. A large amount of our account will be drained if we do 3 of our projects. Big Discussion.**
- 2. Gary Goodall asked if we were going to do the Queen of Hearts. John said that after the Make A Bucks on May 1st we will have the money for the license.**
- 3. Storage container was mentioned.**
- 4. Hall floor needs to be refinished. Scott said if needed he will make the motion. Big discussion.**
- 5. Todd Beedy Hall Floors come under maintenance and no motion is needed. Discussion ensued**

6. Scott Osborn made the recommendation that the Bathrooms be remodeled. Discussion ensued

7. Dave Lopez said we need a new squeegee. Todd stated that a new squeegee and pads arrived and are at the bar.

8. Size of the container was questioned and if there was a time constraint.

**9. Tim Hill made the motion to approve the purchase of a 40 foot storage container up to \$3500.00 2nd by Bruce Badgley
Discussion: lots. Motion passed.**

NEW BUSINESS:

1. John Kayanek stated May 22nd is our first Wedding Rental in a year.

2. Make A Buck will be held on May 1st. Get your tickets.

3. Bunny Hop was a big success. Thanks to Jets Pizza on Linden road for donation 15 pizza, bread, dipping sauces. Short video made and sent to the owner.

4. Tim Hill stated at last months meeting he mentioned the zoom DEC meeting minutes of the Executive Committee with recommendations of amendments to our Department By-Laws. He stated that in the Legion newspaper, they are all listed.

5. Letter of thanks from, Morrish Schools, Choir Practice, Swartz Creek Hometown Days (Special Day) S.C. Firefighters for the Chili Cook-Off, A. L. Child Welfare.

6. Scott Osborn made a motion to donate \$1000.00 for Hometown Days (Special Day). 2nd by Larry Luchenbill. Discussion: Big discussion.. SAL's and Auxiliary will be approached for help with this donation. Motion passed.

7. Nominations: see enclosed list.

**MOMENT OF SILENCE FOR DEPARTED POST MEMBERS AND OUR
POW/MIA TABLE:**

- 1. If you know of a Member that has passed, please inform the Post.**
- 2. Joseph Taffey**

GOOD OF THE AMERICAN LEGION:

- 1. Dave Arceo stated that vaccines are available at Bishop Airport and many other places.**
- 2. Bruce Badgley stated Kroger has no appointments for the vaccine.**

Closing Prayer: by John Gilbert

TIME ADJOURNED: 11:45

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED BY:

Timothy W. Hill

Adjutant

