## Richmond County American Legion Minutes of July 25th 2025

The meeting was called to order at 19:07 Commander Mark Kelly. The roll call was taken and noted. There were no minutes from the previous meeting as it was the County Convention.

Boys State: Richmond County Commander Mark Kelly was on site when the bus returned from Boys State. Anthony LoCasto reported the Department Commander's visit and installation dinner will be held at the Staaten on September 12<sup>th</sup>, 6:30 PM, the cost is \$85 per person and asked that each post sends one check. Hospital visitation: Roy Wood is still hospitalized as is Harold Bregman. It was reported that the Major Richard Starr Act would be passed next week. (Note; on July 22<sup>nd</sup> the Richard Starr act was filed as an amendment to the annual must-pass defense bill). Membership: Membership cards are in and will be distributed next week. The September goal is 50%, membership supplies are limited and delayed due to supply chain issues. Dan Venezia reports the annual memorial mass will be held on October 7<sup>th</sup> or 8<sup>th</sup> and more information will be available next meeting. Dan also reports the oratorical contest will be held on December 13th at 10:00 at Holy Rosary. Political Forum: Lester Modelowitz reports the political forum will be held at the October county meeting and reported that all candidates have been contacted but some have failed to respond (note, the political forum will be held at Gold Star Post due to a scheduling conflict with the Moravian Church hall). All questions for the candidates must be submitted to Lester by the end of August. Treasurer Anthony LoCasto gave the financial report. All posts were notified that they are responsible for paying the county per capita fee. Good of the Legion: Paul Dietrich reports that Gold Star Post is having a "pig roast" on September 20<sup>th</sup> starting at noon. It was reported that numerous banking scams have taken place and everyone should be checking their accounts.

The meeting was adjourned at 20:10

Respectfully Submitted, Frank LaMarsh, PDC County Adjutant.