

Sep 14th, 2020 Legion Membership Meeting

7:00pm: The monthly meeting was called to order by 1st Vice Commander Hamburgur with 21 members present 2 on Zoom total 23. The Pledge of Allegiance, placing of the POW-MIA Flag on the empty chair and the Preamble of the American Legion Conducted.

Roll Call of Officers: All present and or accounted for.

Minutes from the Aug meetings were read and placed on file.
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Finance Officer Herbert reported total assets at \$40,194.02. The itemized report is attached to these minutes.

1st Vice Commander: Bob reported that the new stove is in the kitchen, it was donated by post member Larry Schultz, thank you Larry

New Member: Joe Rhodes U.S. Army and Mark Bednaroski U.S. Marines were voted in as new member of the Post and Mark was sworn in, welcome

Sick Call: Ward sent Sympathy card to the family of Charles Bruce.

Firing Squad/Color Guard report: Email from Steve Gillis reports total assets of \$12,793.86. Report attached to these minutes.

Bar/House report: Kirk Grill reports assets at \$1,109.44. Report attached to these minutes.

Membership: Dave reported that we are at 269 paid 57%

Old Business: There was discussion about what the building committee will do now that the grant won't happen until 2021, the committee will meet and discuss. Chris Benkema asked if we had a fund raising committee and if not maybe we should, it will be considered. Dale Schauer reported thru Tom that the ladies from Kohl's will help pick up grave flags but due to everything going on with COVID they won't be able to donate thru the Kohl's cares program the \$500 like in years past.

Bob presented the certificate of appreciation to Silica Appliance for their help with getting the new fridge,

2nd Vice/Building Committee: Simon was not present but he did send an email to the board in regards to the Home Depot grant, Kirk read the email which stated that we would not be able to get the grant this year but we are going to try for 2021, Ken asked that the building committee have a meeting to discuss the remodeling that we can do without the grant as the membership did approve the committee to do some, Kirk will contact Simon.

3rd Vice/ Blue Star Banner: Ken reported that he presented a 2 star banner to Dale Borth for his 2 kids serving Michael and Megan and he replaced a 1 star banner that was lost in a fire. Flag and Emblem is now taking orders again.

Service Officer: Dan brought up that the Matt Zindars Scholarship fund is low, if we want to keep presenting 2 a year we need to look at ways to get more funds in it. There was some discussion and things will be looked at.

Judge Advocate: Tom reported that there are 2 big speakers in the garage that Mike English donated, they take up a lot of room, Tom talked to Mike about us selling them and he's okay with it, a motion was made and 2nd to sell them it passed, Kirk will get pictures from Tom and post on-line, Kirk will call Mike to make sure we post a good price.

New Business: Ron brought up being contacted by a lady who lives at the Globe apartment building, she places flags in the plaza there but she's getting older and unable to continue doing it, Ron asked Kirk to contact Boy Scout Troop 11 and see if they would be willing to help. Kirk will contact the Scoutmaster. Roger said that Berres Brothers coffee is making a new coffee called Vet Java 15% of the proceeds from sales will go the Legion, please go down, buy some and support a local business, post member and the Legion.

Communications: We got a thank you from Clyde Rickerman and a donation of \$20 for Kirk and Dennis installing some handicap equipment in their house, a thank you letter from Leroy Schumacher and donation of \$500 for the Post placing grave flags on his fathers grave in Ixonia, a thank you card from the family of Thomas Fellenz for us providing honors at his funeral .

For the Good of the Legion: Steve Zillmer donated \$250 to the Post to help with the Tue, Wed and Thur program and Gordon Kuester donated \$100.

In House Raffle: Ron Cira, Steve Zillmer and Dan Stratman

Baseball Raffle: Larry Schultz

Adjourned: 7:57pm

Respectfully Submitted:

Kirk Grill

Adjutant