

American Legion Post 113 Executive Committee Meeting

Minutes: 11 April, 2016

6:45 Meeting called to order by Commander Craig Mortvedt

Present – Vaughn Abelman, Steve Dumas, Geoff Shields, Wayne Sutter, Jerry Hook, Tom Pedretti, Eddie Goplin, Fred Doebler, Joe Packard and Commander Craig Mortvedt. Guest Presenter – Don Hartman

Don Hartman – Came to discuss working together with the VFW to build a Veteran’s Memorial. He showed pictures of the one in his hometown of Bloomer and talked about who he believes should be on the committee – VFW, American Legion, The Chamber of Commerce, and the Frolic Committee.

Renter / Apartment Status – Darryl, our renter moved out Saturday.

- There is a lot of work to do before we rent the apartment out again. We need to get the work done quickly. We should get estimates on what needs to get done. We may be able to request money from the Frolic Committee and Jim Kalscheur has already said he would be willing to assist financially.
- A motion was made and seconded to find a general contractor or general contractors to assist with the work in the apartment. The motion passed.

Nominations of Officers – Will take place at our member meeting Thursday night.

Golf Outing Status – Joe Packard

- 14 May
- Will eat at 4 PM this year. If you want to come out to eat after the event please register to do so. So even if you’re not a golfer you can come out and enjoy good food and socializing, as well as the 50/50 Raffle and the Silent Auction.
- Ten hole sponsors already in.
- Ran one article in the paper already , will likely run another.
- Need to get people signed up for the foursomes.
- Jeff’s Sports will provide memorabilia again this year.
- Get the word out that we will have silent auction items. Put this in the flyer that runs in the paper as well.

Flag Program Update (Blitz Day/Build Day) – Update by Commander Craig

- Blitz Day went very well. John Berryman, Paul Hodgson, Craig Mortvedt and Don Beghin all manned the display at Miller’s at different times this past weekend.

- Several people also walked around their neighborhoods to pass out brochures and talk to people about the program. Hopefully we will see great results from everyone's hard work.
- This year's goal is 250 flags
- Flag build day is set for 9 May.

Constitution and By-Laws – Purposed Changes - Jerry

1. Make the entire document gender neutral
2. By-Laws - Article II – Section 1 delete of nine members, to be known as the “executive committee”
3. By-Laws - Article II – Section 2 add at large to the first sentence. Sentence will read The Executive Committee shall consist of the officers of the Post and 2 members at large elected annually from the Post membership.
4. By-Laws - Article III – Section 2 – strike shall require adequate bonds from all persons having custody of post funds.
5. By Laws - Article IV – Section 4 – Strike the last sentence under Finance Officer – He shall furnish such surety bond in such sum as shall be fixed by the post executive committee.
6. Article VII is actually Article VIII
7. By-Laws – Section 1 change held at the club room to held at the Legion Hall, sentence will read – The regular meetings of the post shall be held at the Legion Hall on the second Thursday of each month, etc...

These will be read at the Member Meeting Thursday Night and then will be sent out to all members before the May Member Meeting so that we can vote on the proposed changes at that meeting.

Scholarship Update - Jerry

We had 4 very qualified applicants this year. All 4 applicants are headed to 4 year colleges, we did not have any 2 year applicants.

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- The Scholarship Committee recommends giving 2 4 year scholarships this year since we did not have a 2 year applicant.
- Motion was made and seconded to award 2 4 year Scholarships. Motion Passed
- Committee will contact Mr. Clark to let him know.

Jr. Shooting Sports – Craig

- The Jr. Shooting Sports Program had another very successful year.
- Finished 9th out of 12 programs in competition shooting.
- We have some very young boys so look for them to continue to improve over the years.
- Look for the program to continue growing as well.
- Had an end of year pizza party and recognition night for the boys and their families last Sunday. The boys and their families enjoy the program and plan on continuing to shoot during the summer months this year.

1. Future Planning:
 - a. April Monthly meeting (Nominations, Honor Flight Briefing, Continuous Mbr Recognition)
 - b. May Monthly meeting (Voting of Officers) (Memorial Day-Speaker Confirmed)
 - c. June Monthly meeting (Installation of Officers)
 - d. Badger Boys/Girls (Information meeting in May, event in June)
 - e. High School Awards/Certificates (approx. 8 names given at awards night)

Meeting Adjourned at 8:10 PM