

MINUTES OF AMERICAN LEGION POST 759 (Chatham, IL)

COMPILED BY: *RICKORD J. SCHMITGEN, ADJUTANT*

DATE: 1 Feb 2016

APPROVED BY: *DAVE ROGERS, COMMANDER* **POST NO. 759 DEPARTMENT OF ILLINOIS**

In the absence of the Adjutant, Sr. Vice Comm Mary Kulivac recorded the minutes of this meeting

Following the formal opening ceremonies roll call of officers found that all were either present or accounted for.

Comdr. Rogers presented certificates and Challenge Coins to Eagle Scouts Robert M. Lovegrove, and Noah B. Fons.

Comdr. Rogers introduced Makayla Kueker, who will be participating in the Youth Police Program. She explained why she was interested in attending the program in June and thanked the Post for sponsoring her. She will return and give a report on her experience.

Mike Pallazzolo introduced John Grimm a new member and Marine, welcome to the Post.

The Adjutant's report of 4 Jan. was read by Comdr. Rogers. Motion was made by Joe Gragg, 2nd by Joe Ward, to approve the minutes as read without addition or correction, motion passed.

The Finance Officer gave his report which is attached. A motion was made by Joe Ori & 2nd by Chuck Stolte to accept the report as given. Passes

The Service Officer Absent (ill) No Report - Joe Ori reported that he and Gary Ori visited Glen Alexander a WWII, B24 bomber pilot, in his 90's. Requested that we all keep him in our prayer and his name will be given to Les Morgan, Service Officer for continued follow-up.

Committees Reports:

Homecoming – Cmdr. reported we had our first meeting and work is ongoing. The next meeting is 8 Feb. at 1800 and all are invited to participate.

Fish Fry – The first Pre Fish Fry went well and then next will be 12 Feb. Mike Stout Crew Chief. Ron Oteken reported that some people were requesting we continue with Fri. Fish Fries and not have a break between then and the First Lenten Fry. Mike Pallazzolo said he received request to have signs/flyers up with all the dates of the upcoming Fish Fries. The new Fish Fry Sign was up on Rt. 4 and those that saw it gave thumbs up.

Building Committee - The replacement of the existing mercury vapor lights on the building, is in progress.

SAL – Dave McKnelly - Financial report, \$42.00 in the account. The organization paid for all the memberships and it is now at !00%. Letters were sent regarding the \$10.00 dues and he encouraged all parents or sons to re-reimburse the organization.

Riders - Dave McKneely reported Next meeting will be 4 Feb. at 1800. They are still sponsoring the Legacy Program and the Honor Flight. Presently they are working with other legions and veterans organizations to have a ride honoring local fallen veteran Chad Young. Instead of riding to various taverns, they would ride to various post and veterans organizations. Gary Ori requested that the ride honor of all local veterans who gave their all.

Auxiliary – No Report

Inter Veterans Council – Ann Hofferkamp reported they had the installation of officers and an update on the Christmas meeting. All meetings are held at the Navy Club and each month a member post will take turns providing the meal. Mike Pallozzlo, Sr. Vice reported that there were usually about 12 or so people present at the meetings.

Old Business – None

New Business – None

Good of the Post – None

Thanks to Joe and Gary Ori for cooking and serving tonight's meal.

Next meeting is 7 March and Greg Harris will prepare Corn Beef and Cabbage.

50/50 \$27.00 Greg Harris the winner.