

# Knights of Lithuania Council 7 Waterbury, CT Minutes of October 18, 2020

Council President Linas Balsys called the meeting to order at 11:12 am; members recited the Our Father and Pledge of Allegiance.

Members present acknowledged reading the September meeting minutes sent by email; copies were also available at the meeting for those without email. A motion to accept the meeting minutes was made by Gintas Zemataitis and seconded by Vytas Jankauskas; motion approved unanimously.

## **Treasurer's Report**

Al Ulozas provided the Treasurer's report for September to Linas Balsys in advance as he was unable to attend the meeting. Linas presented the report as follows:

September 2020

Checking Balance forward	•	\$1,845.30
Total deposits	Dues payments from 2 members	\$75.00
Total expenses		\$(0.00)
Checking Account Balance	as of 9/30/20	\$1,920.30
CD Balance		\$2,052.70
Total	as of 9/30/20	\$3,973.00

A motion to accept the Treasurer's report was made by Jonas Zemataitis and seconded by Judy Vecchitto; motion carried.

### **Financial Secretary's Report**

Linas Venclauskas reported that as of today 2 members paid their 2020 membership. There were no deposits or expenses in September, so the balance remains at \$31.87.

Sunshine Fund results are as follows:

S	Sunshine Fund Starting Cash	\$31.87
		0.00
Income		\$31.87
Expenses		
		0.00
	Ending Balance	\$31.87

A motion to accept the Financial Secretary's report was made by Marian Pelletier and seconded by Aldona Onalfo; motion carried.

### **OLD AND NEW BUSINESS**

<u>Club House</u> – Linas Balsys has not received any updates regarding the Arch Diocese providing survey results that define the back portion of the Club House boundaries or any further details regarding the Lithuanian Club offer. Additionally, Leon has not provided any updates regarding purchasing the Wayside Cross and erecting it in the Lithuanian Cemetery.

<u>Degree Awards Update</u> – Linas Balsys responded to Dave Boucher's email regarding sending the 3<sup>rd</sup> degree awards to our Council but has yet to receive a response. He will follow up again, and if unsuccessful will request that Marlene Warren also follow up.

<u>Council Bylaws Update</u> – Although we approved the revised Bylaws at the last meeting, a change requested by our former Financial Secretary was inadvertently omitted. Bill Stokes had requested that the Financial Secretary

job description include "Maintains the Sunshine Fund and Processes tickets for the district raffle" Linas Venclauskas also suggested that one more duty be added as follows "Sends condolences to deceased member's family; this task may be delegated to another Officer if needed". Gary McGuire made the motion that we add the proposed language to the Bylaws and Judy Vecchitto seconded the motion; the motion passed unanimously.

<u>History of Lithuania</u> - Linas Balsys will order more copies of the book *History of Lithuania: From Medieval Kingdom to Modern Democracy* by Bronius Makauskas and Vytautas J. Černius.

<u>Christmas Party</u> – Despite the pandemic, members are interested in attending a Christmas pizza party and having a raffle at Daveluy's Restaurant if CDC guidelines are followed. Marlene Warren will follow up to see if we could reserve the large back room for either Saturday 12/5 or 12/12 beginning at 1 pm. She will report back at the November meeting.

<u>Kucios Dinner</u> – At this time, no Kucios dinner is being planned; if that changes Linas Balsys will post details on Facebook. Marion Pelletier suggested a "take out" Kucios but Linas indicated there are no plans to offer this option at this time.

<u>Church Donation</u> – Father Aniello has been gracious in letting us use the OLMC church hall for our recent meetings, so the next meeting agenda will include a motion to donate to the Church for the use of the hall.

<u>Council 7 Happenings</u> – Marlene Shea has submitted another article to Vytis regarding our Council's activities despite the pandemic. Janina Nawarskas has been moved to the Village at East Farms, so Linas asked that we keep her and Charles in our prayers. He also offered to lend those interested a copy of her book.

<u>10/17/2020 – Riverside Cemetery Tour</u> – The Brooklyn Neighborhood Association tour of the Riverside Cemetery and the Hall Memorial Chapel was a big success. The day was picture perfect, and Linas encouraged all to look at the pictures of the tour he posted on Facebook. The Friends of the Riverside Cemetery organization anticipates holding additional tours in the future, so as information becomes available, we will pass it on to our members.

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS/DATES**

<u>11/15/2020 – Sunday, 11:00 am - Next K of L Meeting</u> – Anticipated location is at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Hall (under the church). *Important: The location will be confirmed after we coordinate with Fr. Aniello so please watch your emails for more details.* 

<u>Christmas Wafers</u> – Bob Orintas has Christmas wafers for sale. Linas Balsys will talk to Bob after Mass to see if he can provide them for our next meeting. They will also be sold at the Church and all proceeds will be donated to St. Joseph Church.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Marlene Shea and seconded by Marion Pelletier; motion carried, and the meeting concluded at 11:48 am.

Respectfully submitted,

Marlene Warren Recording Secretary