



American Legion Richard Dingle Post 98
328 Broadway Ave
Saint Paul Park, Minnesota 55071

August General Member Meeting - 15 July 2022 - 1900

Roll Call of Officers Present: Janet Lorenzo (1st Vice), Scott Hanneman (2nd Vice), Mike Solei (Adjutant), Ray Kane (Finance Officer), John (“Butch”) Duff (Historian), Rick Kullmann (Sgt at Arms), Forrest Bailey (Chaplain), Craig Kittelson (Gambling Manager), John Dingle (Past Commander), Collen Scheler (Bar Manager), Tim Conrad (S.A.L. Commander)

Executive Committee Members Excused / Absent: Gerald Wright (Commander), Danielle Horan (Service Officer)

Members Present: 13 – **No Quorum**

Motion to waive July General Meeting minutes.

- Motion: Craig Kittelson
- Second: Ray Kane
- Approved

Guests Present: None

Adjutant: Membership Report – 247 member – 58%

- Picnic Membership was kind of a bust, had only 10 Post and 10 S.A.L members sign up

Next Newsletter will be going out hopefully NLT last week in September, those that have sections please start thinking of your words of wisdom – Commander, Chaplain, Gambling, Bar Manager, Service Officer

Reading of the Executive Board Minutes completed

Second Vice Report: Activities

Read Calendar Event

Picnic – thoughts and take aways

- Cut back on purchases for next year
- Centralize the purchases so that not so many receipts from all over the place, makes it easier to track and distribute the reimbursements if needed

Heritage Days

Some notes from the Membership meeting

- Possibility of float – commemorate 2022 St Paul Park Business of the Year – John Dingle to contact Tom Witzel



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- Keg stand – create signup sheet and post printed and posted
- Flag Ceremony 0900 at Veterans Park
- Wrestling after Tractor Pull in street in front of Legion
- Vietnam Veterans Appreciation

Bar/Club

Bar Report: Checkbook balance: \$ 34,364.16
Savings balance: \$ 20,004.18

Post Finance:

Checkbook balance: \$ 20,237.23
Savings balance: \$ 17,562.22
Checking and Savings Account Combined Balance is \$ 37,799.45
The Loan Balance on the Building is \$ 32,946.74
Credit Limit Balance: \$ 100,000

Gambling report: Gambling bank balance: \$51,609.83

- Motion: N/A
- Second: N/A
- No quorum

Lawful Purpose Spending:

Gambling Allowable expenses for next month would be \$ 25,700
Lawful purpose expenditures of \$ 38,800

Shriners and College Book request will not be paid

- Motion: N/A
- Second: N/A
- No quorum

Service Officer:

- No report

Unfinished/Old Business:

Update to By-laws

- Committee created to review By-laws with meetings to start after Heritage Day
 - Gerald Wright
 - Danielle Horan
 - Rick Kullman
 - Mike Solei

Kitchen Contract

- New contract needs to be completed on Legion side by October. Committee created to review contract. Craig Kittelson will schedule meetings after Heritage Day
 - Ray Kane
 - Joe Duffy
 - Dennis Ferrell
 - Craig Kittelson
 - Butch Duff
 - Scott Hanneman
 - Jeorgia Clucky

Bar Manager's job description is currently being worked on and should be completed in the next week. Once that is completed, we will work on Bar Manager's contract.

New Business:

Parking signs

- Jesse Knoll will be placing No Parking signs in front of the dumpster to keep people from blocking the use of the dumpsters.
- In the past months we have had customers leaving their cars overnight in the parking lot, while we appreciate their mindfulness in not wanting to drink and drive, they continue to exceed 24 hours. When the Legion has events, this takes up more parking spaces for bar customers and event attendees.
 - This will be brought up at next meeting for members to vote on.

Letter from Bruce Whitmore to Colleen Scheler Bar Manager

- Bruce and his wife donate \$1,500 per year to Post 98, this next year they would like up it to \$2,000
 - Would like to see some of the funds go in memory of John Tabor, Rosie Tabor, and Harold Whitmore
- They have access to up to \$500 of matching employer funds for anything specific for the community. It's a pretty simple process, generally what gets the attention of the



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- committee would be, disadvantaged children, food shelves, veteran programs, or community diversity programs.
- They are starting to collect a 'scrap book' of their donations. In 2022 we donated to Hackensack MN Women's Auxiliary Legion - (They used the funds and matched with the Legion fund and opened a lending library/care and share. They also donated to Moose International in Ortonville MN and sponsored a youth ice fishing tournament with prizes and fishing gear.) They would love to get more targeted with Post 098 on how specifically the funds were used - or will be used.

Good of the Legion

Nothing discussed

Meeting Adjourned: 1936

Attendance drawing won by: Jim Swedzinski – donate to Vets

Post drawing won/lost by: Roy Redenius – not in attendance

Mike Solei
Post 98 Adjutant