



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

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September General Member Meeting - 19 September 2022 - 1900

Roll Call of Officers Present: Gerald Wright (Commander), Scott Hanneman (2<sup>nd</sup> Vice), Mike Solei (Adjutant), Ray Kane (Finance Officer), Danielle Horan (Service 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: Janet Lorenzo (1<sup>st</sup> Vice)

Members Present: 16

Motion to waive August General Meeting minutes.

- Motion: Dennis Farrell
- Second: Butch Duff
- Approved

Guests Present: Department Commander – Jennifer Havlick, Past Department Commander Mike Ash, Department Historian Teresa Ash, Department Jr Auxiliary Sgt At Arms Bree England

**Adjutant:** Membership Report – 246 member – 65%

- Push for Membership to utilize the auto-renewal on mylegion.org, this would save National huge amounts of money in postage.

Reading of the Executive Board Minutes completed

Guest Speaker:

- Compliments to the Post
  - Good turn out of membership to the meeting
  - Post itself looks good, very good job on the patio out back.
  - Membership looks good, keep up the good work
  - If there is any way that Department / District can assist, please make sure to reach out, they are here to help
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**Second Vice Report:** Activities

Read Calendar Event

**Bar/Club**

Bar Report: Checkbook balance: \$ 34,234.39



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Savings balance: \$ 20,004.18

- Heritage Days not as successful as previous years
- 98% full staffed with servers and bartenders
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**Post Finance :**

Expenses: \$3,439.05

Income: \$4,793.75

Check book balance: \$ 20,585.42

Savings balance: \$ 17,563.01

Checking and Savings Account Combined Balance is \$ 37,148.93

The Loan Balance on the Building is \$ 31,563.88

Credit Limit Balance: \$ 100,000

**Gambling report:**

Gambling bank balance: \$67,509.15

Net Profit: \$8,794.15

Allowable Expenses: \$15,911.94

- Motion: Butch Duff
- Second: Scott Hanneman
- Approved

**Lawful Purpose Spending:**

Gambling Allowable expenses for next month will be \$ 31,700

Lawful purpose expenditures of \$ 38,550

- Kevin Langevin – Scholarship for Law School - \$500 – Deny
- East Ridge Girls Soccer – Donation - \$500 – Approve
- Special Needs Halloween Party – candy / decorations - \$800 – Approve
- Veterans Camp Big Marine – Donation – Deny
- Park Boys Hockey Booster – Donation - \$250 – Approve

- Motion: Dennis Farrell
- Second: Scott Hanneman
- Approved

**Service Officer:**

- Nothing to report

### Unfinished/Old Business:

Third Vice Commander and Second Sgt at Arms positions open, with no nominees

### New Business:

Booya

- Profit for each Post and 40/8 - \$2,599.02
- Successful, almost sold all booya

Kitchen Contract Meeting

- Meeting slated for Wednesday, September 21

Report from National Convention for Ray Kane

- Ray Kane will give a summarization of events and expenses

Raymond Volner is a member that will be traveling on an Honor Flight to Washington, DC

- Raymond Volner Korean War veteran. Served 1952 - 1953.
- Oct 10th is the flight. His daughter called and was wondering if the Post could write some letters to him in support
  - Letters need to be in by Oct 8th.
  - Commander is setting up a box for the letters at the bar along with paper set up if anyone just wants to write one at the Legion.
  - Commander is also going to get his flight number so we can meet him when he lands back in Minnesota.

Newport Ceremony for unmarked graves

- Post to get more involved and set a date that does not conflict with Post, Department
  - Department Commander in attendance
  - Legionnaire Reporter from State
  - Department Communications Team

Ray Kane was voted at the National Convention to start instructing courses on social media

- National Media team is coming to Minnesota and our Post was offered to host training sessions



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- Membership will be able to attend training for free if it is hosted at Post 98

Metal ring for fire pit is in the works, this will enable us to process more flags at our Flag Retirement Ceremonies

### **Good of the Legion**

Nothing discussed

Meeting Adjourned: 1941

Attendance drawing won by: Jim Swedzinski – donate to Vets

Post drawing won/lost by: Richard Clark – not in attendance

Mike Solei  
Post 98 Adjutant