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## Meeting Minutes for Sep 7, 2024

**Location:** American Legion Post 73  
5000 S.E. 24th St.  
Del City, OK 73115

## Attendance:

Chuck Hladik – *Base Commander*  
Todd Holmes – *Base Vice*  
*Cmdr; Webmaster*  
Jim Owen – *Base Treasurer*  
Dale Sanders – *Base Secretary*

Ken Box - *Chief of the Boat*  
Donald LeBlanc  
Bob Zahrn

## Officers Absent:

Mark Holland – *Base Chaplin/*  
*Quartermaster*

## Visitors:

Darrin Husman

1. Call to Order – Meeting was called to order at 0900 by Base Commander Hladik. A quorum was present.
2. Pledge of Allegiance – Ken led base members in the Pledge of Allegiance.
3. Previous Minutes – Dale read the minutes from August. Jim motioned to approve the minutes as read, Ken seconded, minutes approved.
4. Treasurers Report – Jim provided a report of a balance of \$2,399.<sup>99</sup> on deposit, and petty cash again of \$95.<sup>00</sup>. Only activity was deposit of funds collected at the August meeting. Also, a check is still due to Am Legion Post 73 for Coats-for-Kids. Detailed records are available upon request. Ken motioned to approve the report, Don seconded, report approved.
5. OKC Subvets Website and Facebook page (Todd) –
  - a. In Facebook a suspicious SPAM post was flagged by Midwest City Veterans Memorial. After review, the post was deleted, and the person was banned from the group. Thank you to Midwest City Veterans Memorial for bringing it to our attention. .
  - b. Still working on an update of the SOP for the website. When completed, then training for Don LaBlanc as assistant webmaster will be scheduled.
6. USS Oklahoma commissioning (Don) –
  - a. Still waiting on the memorabilia order from the COB so that it can be a single shipment.
  - b. No other information at this time.
7. Hats and Challenge Coin (Mark) –
  - a. Coins are available for purchase.
  - b. With Mark's health issues need to consider getting him an assistant storekeeper, or if he would prefer, relieving him of this duty.
8. Don LeBlanc Project – Work is still in progress.
9. Steve Damlo Project – Work is still in progress
10. Yukon Czech Festival Parade Saturday October 5, 2024 –
  - a. After discussion Dale motioned to count the parade as our October meeting, not having another business meeting until November. Jim seconded. **MOTION CARRIED. ACTION: Chuck** (inform Post 73)
  - b. Hull numbers will be painted on the float. Todd agreed to make a stencil to facilitate this. **ACTION: Todd**
11. New Business –
  - a. Reminder that we have a table at the Sept 28 retired military event.

- b. Veterans Day Parade – Dale motioned to participate in the parade again, Todd seconded. **MOTION CARRIED.**  
**ACTION: Chuck** (*complete application*)
    - i. That same day, Am Legion Post 73 their statue out by the main entrance.
  - c. FYI: Am Legion Post 73 recently had a '62 Impala donated. Intent is to raffle it, with tickets likely costing \$100.<sup>00</sup> each.
  - d. Retired personnel are being transitioned to a new ID for base access. This can be accomplished at Tinker or at the National Guard Headquarters.
  - e. Darrin shared about his Navy experiences.
12. Concerns and Open Discussion –
- a. Todd will be traveling to Groton for a boat reunion.
  - b. Ken had knee replacement in late July, but is walking well. Therapy continues.
  - c. Chuck proton therapy went well.
  - d. Bob's foot amputation went well. He is now awaiting being fitted for a prosthetic.
13. Tolling of Boats – Todd and Dale led us in the tolling of the boats for September.
14. Closing Prayer – Dale led a closing prayer.
15. Depth Charge – Jim won the Depth Charge drawing and donated his portion.
16. Adjourn – Meeting was adjourned at 10:22 am.

★ ★ ★ **Yukon Czech Festival Parade - October 5, 2024 @ TBD** ★ ★ ★

★ ★ ★ **Next Business Meeting – November 2, 2024 @ 0900** ★ ★ ★