



## American Legion Post 155 Carmel, IN

# Meeting Minutes

## Feb 2, 2023

(Next Meeting: Mar 2 – 7pm)

**Opening:** Rick Curtis called the meeting to order at 7pm.

**Opening Prayer:** Joe led us in prayer to start the meeting.

**Salute of the American Flag and Pledge of Allegiance:**

I pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America and to the republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

**American Legion Preamble:**

For God and Country, we associate ourselves together for the following purposes:

- To uphold and defend the Constitution of the United States of America;
- To maintain law and order;
- To foster and perpetuate a one hundred percent Americanism;
- To preserve the memories and incidents of our association in all wars;
- To inculcate a sense of individual obligation to the community, state, and nation;
- To combat the autocracy of both the classes, and the masses;
- To make right the master of might;
- To promote peace and good-will on earth;
- To safeguard and transmit to posterity the principles of justice, freedom and democracy;
- To consecrate and sanctify our comradeship by our devotion to mutual Helpfulness.

**Roll Call:** (See Below)

**Reading of the Prior Minutes:** The January meeting minutes were approved.

**Membership Report:** The membership renewal is at 85%. The Post's goal is 460. As of this date, 389 have renewed for 2023. We also have 25 first year members a 5% growth rate. The Post website is averaging approximately 800 per month.

**Finance Report:** Bob presented the financial numbers for January. Cindy and Bob have been working at creating a detailed breakdown of monthly revenues, gaming, food and liquor expenses. The financial report was approved.

**Commander's Comments:**

- Rick reiterated the importance of the Post members to keep emphasizing the positive and don't participate in negative conversations. Any issues Post members with other Post members should be brought up to the commander. We should focus on having a good time, eat and drink and have fun.
- New business topics need to be provided to Rick and Dave the Monday prior to the meeting. Please provide a summary of the item to be discussed along with a possible solution.

**Old Business Items:**

- Rick will get with Cindy to discuss having pizza available on Mondays. In addition, he will check on the status of the pizza oven. Bob will get with Cindy to help price the pizza.

- Rock has updated the eBike raffle flyer. He has been posting the flyer across town. He would like to see the flyer on the website and Facebook.
- Rick advised all fish has been purchased for the fish fry which begins each Friday starting Feb 24. A decision still needs to be made if we will be selling fish on Good Friday. Rick requested \$500 to be spent on signs and possible flag/banner. The motion was seconded and approved.
- Bob is working on our gaming license. Update will be provided in March meeting.

**New Business Items:**

- Rick will talk to Cindy about introducing Bingo at the Post. In addition, he will check on the feasibility of changing the 50/50 drawing time slot.
- Joe advised that Hallowfest planning has begun with the VFW. The date is set for Oct 21. The next planning meeting is Mar 29, 6pm at the Legion.

**Closing:** Rick closed the meeting at 8pm.

Position	Name	Present	Absent
Commander	Rick Curtis	X	
First Vice	Charlie Homes	X	
Second Vice and Adjutant	David Leonard	X	
Finance	Bob Trebing	X	
JAG Officer	Exton Cordingley		X
Sergeant at Arms	Sam Hasskett	X	
Historian	Vacant		
Chaplain	Joe Hunter-Lattak	X	
Executive Board	Phil Poor	X	
Executive Board	Vacant		
Executive Board	Andy Carson	X	

## Post Leadership

### Legion Board

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### **Sons of the American Legion**

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- Bob Trebling – Treasurer
- Andrew Brose – Sergeant at Arms
- Jeromy Robbins – Historian
- Tom Beck - Chaplain