



American Legion Post 155 Carmel, IN

Meeting Minutes July 7, 2022

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

Opening Prayer:

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: Previous meeting minutes were not read or approved. David Leonard will obtain a copy and forward for review.

Membership Report: David produced a report prior to the meeting. However, David will need to talk to Don Hudson to understand why the active post membership numbers appear to be much lower than expected. We believe it might be related to the recent closing of the membership books.

Finance Report: Mariah has not had an opportunity to review this month's report. Bob will follow up.

Open Business Items: Previous meeting minutes were not available to identify all of the open business items. The main items we were able to list were updated as follows:

- The Harley bike has been sold for \$2,500. The funds have been deposited into the general fund.
- Exton Cordingley was not available during the meeting provide an update on the sprinkler repair.

New Business Items:

- Greg Watson motioned to designate \$500 to purchase uniform items for the honor guard. Our honor guard uniform will need to be consistent with the VFW post. Items to be purchased included:
 - Jacket w/patches, Shoes, Belts, Gloves and Collar Brass

- Andy Carson, mentioned that the Adjutant funds has been used in the past to cover some of these costs.
 - Rick requested a list of items that need to be purchased. Greg will provide.
 - The motion was seconded by Andy and passed unanimously.
- Rick requested if Greg was willing to conduct honor guard training sessions with the VFW and Post 155. Greg agreed to conduct this training. Greg did request if he could get access to the gun locker so the honor guard members can train with the appropriate equipment.
- Rick advised he will be working closely with his counterpart at the VFW. The purpose is to ensure our two programs are aligned on certain programs, volunteers and honor guard opportunities.
- Bob Trebing motioned to move forward with the installation of approximately 32 security cameras and DVR. Bob will try to utilize any existing camera that will be compatible with the new equipment. Andy seconded the motion and it was voted on unanimously.
- David advised that he would like to reformat the meeting minutes and process on how the minutes will be approved. Below is a summary of the request:
 - Officers will need to advise the commander if they will be absent for an upcoming post meeting. Attendance of meetings will be reported in the minutes.
 - New topics will need to be forwarded to the group prior to each meeting. The commander will review and advise on new business topics.
 - David will forward the meeting minutes to the group within 4 days of each meeting. The group will review and forward either acceptance or updates within 4 days of receiving the meeting minutes.
 - David will post the meeting minutes on the post web site and make them available for posting with the Post.
 - This process will utilize email as the preferred method.
- Greg motioned that the Post's food menu should be revised and the proposed menu forwarded to the executive board for review and approval. We would like for the proposed menu to be approved by July 10. David seconded the motion, and it was passed unanimously.

Closing: Rick closed the meeting.

Position	Name	Present	Excused	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	Doug Groover	x		
Chaplain	Joe Hunter-Lattak		x	
Executive Board	Phil Poor	x		
Executive Board	Greg Watson	x		
Executive Board	Andy Carson	x		