

American Legion Post 155 Carmel, IN

Meeting Minutes Oct 6, 2022

(Next Meeting: Nov 3 – 7pm)

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

Opening Prayer: Joe Hunter-Lattak 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: September meeting minutes previously approved.

Membership Report: The membership renewal is at 58%. The Post's goal is 460. As of this date, 268 have renewed for 2023.

Finance Report: Bob presented the financial report. The financial report was accepted. Rick will talk to Cassie to see if we can purchase drinks in bulk and realize additional discounts.

Commander's Comments:

- Rick reiterated the importance of introducing ourselves to newcomers. This type of outreach goes a long way in welcoming folks to the Post.
- The City of Carmel has reached out to Rick for our participation for the upcoming Carmel's Veterans Day events. Rick will reach out to Ken Lang at the VFW for volunteers for this upcoming Veterans Day event.

Open Business Items:

• Joe recommends that we document our inquiry to the Carmel Fire Department to review our sprinkler system question. To date the Carmel FD has not been able to respond to our inquiries.

Hallowfest planning is coming along nicely. We have received numerous donations which will offset any
additional costs we will have in hosting this event. Carmel Rugby will provide 5-7 individuals to setup and tear
down for this event. In addition, they will provide 2 bartenders. Rick is still in the process of completing the
gaming exemption for this upcoming event (no issues are expected). The insurance rider has been submitted for
the hayride.

New Business Items:

- Our elevator maintenance company advised us that we have water in our elevator shaft. Phil Poor and David Leonard will investigate this issue and report back to the executive board with a game plan.
- Rick provided an overview of the parking lot repair bid. The bid is approximately \$38k but doesn't include the drain. Rick will contact the bidder to see if they can itemize the bill in the event, we only want to address priority issues in the lot. Rick motioned that we approve \$1k to repair the larger pothole. The motion was seconded and approved.
- Phil Poor advised that a new stove will cost approximately \$4,200. Rick will contact the Auxiliary President to determine funding for the stove.

Closing: Rick closed the meeting at 8:15pm.

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