## THE AMERICAN LEGION-POST 21 126 Atlantic Street NE — McMinnville — OR — 97128

General Membership Meeting – November 17, 2021

## **ROLL CALL:**

Commander – Juan Palacios – excused First Vice – Bruce Peterson - excused Second Vice – Jim Connelly - present Adjutant – Shirley Brown – present JAG – Steve Randles – present Finance Officer, Gale Sears – present Sgt. At Arms – Robert DeKar - present Service Officer – Tim Anderson - present Chaplain – Thomas Clayton – present Historian – Bob Zeek - present At Large – Bob Berweger - excused At Large – Rich Pimm - excused At Large – Paul Schnell - excused

**New Members:** Ben Reddaway - USMC – Craig Graham - USMC.

Motion: By Tim Anderson that we accept Ben Reddaway and Craig Graham as new members, seconded by Leroy – Passed.

Motion: By Steve Randles that we accept the Minutes as presented - Passed

**Finance Report:** Current Post Account Balance \$159,974; Lottery Account 41,519; Maintenance Account 3,898; Operating Cash - \$12,764. = total assets of \$218,139.

**Motion:** By Gale Sears to bring the Post 21 American Legion Riders into the Post 21 American Legion First federal banking system and federal Tax EIN identification number 23-7026590; as written within our constitution and by-laws as a recognized program of the Post. Seconded by Shirley Brown. Discussion: To include signatories on the Rider account of Shirley Brown, Steve Randles and Gale Sears Seconded by Shirley Brown - Passed.

**Commanders Report:** Gale Sears filled in for the Commander. Mr. Palacios wanted everyone to know that we will not be selling Christmas Trees this year, hopefully we will get an earlier start next year. Also, the National Commander Candidate will be here for Breakfast on the 20<sup>th</sup>, would like to see as many board members in attendance as possible.

**Auxiliary:** Food donations are coming regularly we will have a work party on the December 13<sup>th</sup> and handing out baskets on the 18<sup>th</sup>. Also don't forget there are still a few raffle tickets for the Crabbing Trip.

**Sons:** The Sons will be hosting the Pearl Harbor Breakfast on December 5<sup>th</sup> from 8:00-Noon. Cost is \$9.00 (masks are required)

Riders: November and December meeting will be on December 8<sup>th</sup>.

1<sup>st</sup> Vice: Membership is now at 80%l, need 67 renewals and we will be at 100%.

**2<sup>nd</sup> Vice:** 11/26 Drive by 101 Birthday; 11/27 Civil War Party; 12/4 DEC in Prineville; 12/5 Pearl Harbor Breakfast; 12/8 Riders meeting; 12/11 Tuba Christmas in Portland; 12/13 Auxiliary work party; 12/18 White Elephant Christmas Party; 12/19 Crabbing Trip; 12/25 Closed "Christmas". Battle of Branches 3/5 USMC: 3/19 USAF; 4/2 USN; 4/16 USA.

Service Officer: Still working on getting the wheelchair ramp installed, not sure when it will happen.

Chaplain: Bobbie Vansoyck funeral is this Saturday at 1:00 at the Sheridan Funeral Home.

**Honor Guard:** Willamette National will no longer provide Military Honors. They have reached out to the surrounding Posts to help out.

**House Committee:** Still addressing the odor problem. Progress has been made on the drainage problem in the parking lot, hope have the problem solved before Christmas.

## **New Business:**

We will be having a P.O.S. (Point of Sale) system coming soon. Installation, equipment, and hardware zero cost. Will run \$49 per month and a 3% credit card fee. Will help to simplify the ordering process and help with portion control and inventory.

**Good of the Order:** If you need a ride to the VA the DAV/DAR van needs two weeks' notice in order to provide transportation.

Leroy Brown has two pictures framed and ready to present to the Tribe in Grand Ronde. It cost \$120 to have them framed.

**Motion:** By Time Anderson that we reimburse Leroy for the cost of the frames, seconded by Thomas Clayton – **Passed.** 

Sick or injured: Bob Berweger, Mick Gillespie. Also keep Carol and Larry Brown in your prayers, she is not doing well.

Next meeting: January 19, 2021.

Shirley Brown, Adjutant	