

THE AMERICAN LEGION-POST 21
126 Atlantic Street NE — McMinnville — OR — 97128
General Membership Meeting — October 19, 2022

ROLL CALL:

Commander — Juan Palacios — present
First Vice — Joe Gallagher - present
Second Vice — Jim Connelly - present
Adjutant — Shirley Brown — present
JAG — Steve Randles — excused
Finance Officer, Gale Sears — present
Sgt. At Arms — Robert DeKar - present

Service Officer — Vacant
Chaplain — Thomas Clayton — present
Historian — Leroy Brown - excused
At Large — Bob Berweger - present
At Large — Rich Pimm - present
At Large — Dan Brown - present

Draping of the Charter in Memory of Raymond Mader and Robert West.

Guest: Betty Fisher, Dept. 2 Commander.

Kia Bailey, Granddaughter of Jack Bailey, representing McMinnville High School Cheerleaders asking for donation to get to National Competition in early 2023. They took 1st place last year and are hoping to do it again.

Motion: Rich Pimm that we donate \$1,000 to McMinnville High School Cheerleaders, seconded by Thomas Clayton — Passed.

New Members: Transfer - Lonnie Gallagher — 80 year old Veteran, Father of 1st Vice Joe Gallagher. New Member, Thomas Gallagher brother of 1st Vice, Joe Gallagher. New Member Kevin Voss, Army.

Motion: Thomas Clayton that we accept these three new members, Seconded by Tony Amodio — Passed.

Commanders Report: Received an e-mail from Willamette National, requesting that some of our members attend services on October 25th at Willamette National for a Veteran who has no family. We will lower the flag on that day in memory of this Veteran.

Dayton has asked for funds for Scholarships, Connelly will check into the request.

The Bid for the ADA door came in at \$3,146.94. Will look into getting a second bid.

1st Vice: Membership is now at 52.2%, looking into renewing membership for 5 members whose membership has expired.

2nd Vice: 10/29 — Chili Cook off; 10/31 Halloween party; 11/3 Band of Brothers at Evergreen; 11/6 Second Winds Veterans Concert; 11/11 Veterans Day Dinner by Bert's Chuckwagon BBQ; 11/12 Veteran's Day Parade. 11/16 Drawing for week at Depoe Bay; 11/26 — Pick up Christmas Trees; 12/7-17 — Christmas Baskets; 12/17 Pickup Christmas Baskets.

Service Officer: Working with Veteran who is having car issues VFW will be donating money would like to see us donate as well.

Finance Officer: Current Post Account Balance \$220,102.88; Lottery Account \$70,841.70; Maintenance Account \$3,277.37; Operating Cash - \$9,575.61 = total assets of 303,797.56. Requesting to transfer \$423.43 (5% of profit) to maintenance account. This is an increase of \$8,468.50 which includes the \$2,500 the Post received for supporting the air show.

Looking into a new contract for the copier, at a savings of \$100 a month and will save \$1,200.00 a year.

Motion: By Jim Connelly that Finance Officer be authorized to transfer \$423.43 to the maintenance account — seconded by Bob Berweger. — Passed.

Motion: By Shirley Brown that we approve the finance report as presented — Seconded by Jim Connelly — Passed.

At Large Dan Brown: Electric Service Box in the RV Park is insufficient to supply power to the park. Will be getting bids next month. This is a safety issue and needs to be addressed as soon as possible.

At Large Bob Berweger: Need assistance in calling WWII Veterans inviting them to Veterans Dinner and to the Parade. Peggy Lutz will be the Grand Marshall. Will need stand by drivers. Raffle next month for a week at Depoe Bay.

At Large Rich Pimm: Presentation for Tunnels to Towers, a nonprofit program in memory of Stephen Siller, a firefighter that died on 9/11. Tunnels to Towers builds homes for Veterans and First Responders, they have built one home in Oregon so far. Asking for \$300.00 a year.

Motion: By Shirley Brown that we donate \$300 a year to the Tunnels to Towers Program – Seconded by Thomas Clayton – Passed.

Chaplain: Asking that everyone keep the following people in your prayers. Gale Sears; Paul Schnell; Terry Ward; Ed Eneboe; Steve Randles, Jeanie Clayton. If someone is in the hospital, please let the Chaplain know so he can visit them.

Auxiliary: The Auxiliary has been busy getting the word out to the schools about scholarships. Looking into adopting a teacher. There will be a stand-down in Hillsboro on 10/28 they will be serving Breakfast and Lunch for the Homeless. The Heritage Museum has two trailers with drivers. Thank you for those who bought tickets for the raffles.

SAL: Oyster Feed went great. Bert's BBQ will be preparing dinner on Veterans Day, free to all Veterans \$15.00 for Non Veterans.

Riders: Riders will be leading the Parade and will loop around and end the Parade on November 12th. Post 75-Sheridan is having an open house on November 5th, they will be serving hamburgers and hot dogs – open to all. December 11th the Sons will be hosting the Pearl Harbor Breakfast.

Adjourned.