THE AMERICAN LEGION-POST 21
126 Atlantic Street NE — McMinnville — OR — 97128
General Membership Meeting – September 18, 2019

ROLL CALL:

Commander – Steve Farley, **excused**   Chaplain – Thomas Clayton, **present**

First Vice – Robert Berweger, **present**   Historian – Leroy Brown, **present**

Second Vice – Terry Ward, **present**   Sgt. At Arms – Ron Grose, **present**

Finance Officer – Gale Sears, **present**   At Large – Paul Schnell, **excused**

Adjutant – Shirley Brown, **present**   At Large – Sam Fields, **present**

Judge Advocate – Steve Randles, **present**   At Large – Jim Connelly, **present**

Service Officer – Juan Palacios, **present**

New Member: Acie Dunlap – retired Air Force.

Minutes: Motion by T. Campbell Seconded by Leroy Brown that Minutes be approved – Passed .

Finance: Finance Officer Gale Sears stated that the post accounts **Lottery and Post and cash on hand cumulatively total** $73,833. The Post has received donations in the amounts of $10,000 with a request that $5,000 be donated to the Sea Cadets and $5,000 to be placed in a maintenance fund. We also received a donation of $1,500 to be used for Veterans Support. Has been diligently working on getting a quote for Officers & Directors Insurance, explained that the Post has not had this type of insurance for a few years and it is in the best interest of the Post to obtain this type of Insurance. Currently has a quote for premium of **$914.00** Further explained that he has been able to solidify the Workers Comp insurance, doesn't have the premium amount with him

  Motion: by Ted Campbell, seconded by Juan Palacios that the Finance Officer is authorized to open a separate account with First Federal designated for Maintenance funds.

  Motion: by Juan Palacios, seconded by Ted Campbell that the Finance Officer is authorized to obtain Directors & Officers Insurance – Passed.

  Motion: by R. Grose, seconded by Jim Connelly that we accept the Finance Officer as given – Passed.

NEW BUSINESS:

Commanders Report: Acting Commander Bob Berweger wanted to thank everyone who showed up to help in preparation for the Air Show. It was truly a group effort with all families helping out. We will not be manning a booth for the Air Show.

2nd Vice: Upcoming events; Air Show this weekend 9/20-21-22; Pierogi's by the Son's on September 28th; D.E.C. at Post 21 – 9/29; Stand Down 10/12. October 26th – Halloween Costume Party with band ½ Step Down; 11/9 – Veterans Day Parade; 11/10 – Second Winds Concert in Honor of Veterans;   11/11 Veterans Day Dinner; 11/28 Thanksgiving Potluck. Explained that Band Night will be changing from Friday night to Saturday night as it interferes too much with Prime Dinner night on Fridays.

Service Officer: Veteran needing help with Ramp has finally been approval from the VA, "Easy Access for home Care" just don't have a date yet.

Historian: Next August will be the Post 100 Year Anniversary – will be forming a committee to help with celebration efforts.

Chaplain: Volunteer for the last 30 days 4,621.5 for all families. A list of what qualifies as volunteer hours will be posted soon. Glenna Smith is still in the Hospital; she is very ill and needs all your prayers.

  Motion: by Leroy Brown, seconded by Ron Grose that we create a sunshine fund for members that are hospitalized – Passed.

Angel Mendoza: Law Enforcement Career Camp has 12 Boys and 12 girls attend. Veterans Day Parade staging will start at 9:00 am. Will be using same route as last year.

Riders: Scholarship Poker Run was a huge success. There were 67 Riders and $4,300 was raised for scholarships in Yamhill Schools – Dayton, Amity, McMinnville, Sheridan, Willamina and Perrydale. The Saddle that was donated for the auction is now in Montana. Will be doing opening ceremonies at the Air Show. Sept 8th will be escorting the Iwo Jima statute to Chinook Winds.

FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER: Ted Campbell stated that on 9/24 they will be paining the office and are in need of help moving furniture out and then back in the next day.   Fireman's Pancake Feed, October 13th 7:00 am – 1:00 p.m.

DOOR PRIZE GIVEAWAY: Bruce Peterson – Balloon Ride for two.