## THE AMERICAN LEGION-POST 21

126 Atlantic Street NE — McMinnville — OR — 97128

Membership – December 19, 2018 AMMENDED – FEBRUARY 18, 2019

## **ROLL CALL:**

Commander – Steve Farley, **present**Chaplain – Thomas Clayton, **present**First Vice – Larry Brown, **present**Historian – Leroy Brown, **present** 

Second Vice – Cody Pankey, present

Finance Officer – Gale Sears, present

Adjutant – Shirley Brown, present

Judge Advocate – Steve Randles, present

Sgt. At Arms – present

At Large – Terry Ward, absent

At Large – Paul Schnell, absent

At Large – Juan Palacios, present

Service Officer – Jeannie Clayton, present

**Review of October Minutes:** (No meeting in November) **Motion by** T. Campbell that we accept the Minutes from October – Seconded by Leroy Brown – Passed.

**Finance Report:** Gale Sears reported Total Assets = \$93,752. The Post has received a letter from the IRS on September 16 stating that The Post has outstanding payroll tax penalties of \$2,900 with fines of \$4,240. Gale said he plans on meeting with the accountant to see if we can reduce or eliminate the penalties.

**Motion:** by S. Randles that we authorize the Finance Officer to pay the IRS the required taxes, less the penalties at approximately \$3,000. Seconded by Leroy Brown – Passed.

Motion: By S. Brown that we accept the Finance report – seconded by J. Clayton – Passed.

**Commanders Report:** S. Farley stated that Larry Brown will donate \$5,000.00 to the post with the requirement that \$2,000 be donated to the Sea Cadets. We had a great struggle getting Christmas Trees, not only due to the weather but trees promised were sold to someone else. Adam Finnicum took it upon himself to solve the problem and used his gas and money to get us trees. Would like to give him a \$100.00 gift certificate for food (no alcohol) in the amount of \$100.00.

**Motion:** by J. Palacios that the Post give Adam Finnicum a \$100.00 gift certificate for \$100.00 for food only – Seconded by Leroy Brown – Passed.

New Bar Stools will be fixed at no cost, once that is done the Plaques will be mounted. The Post donated \$1,000 collectively to the McMinnville High School Cheerleaders to attend National Competition in Florida next year.

Second Vice: Cody Pankey gave a run-down of the following upcoming events: 12/8 Christmas Bazar; 12/9 SAL Pearl Harbor Breakfast; 12/11 Auxiliary Stuff Stockings; 12/13-15 Auxiliary gift wrap and box filling; 12/22 Christmas Box handout; 12/24 – Close at 6:00; 12/31 – New Year's Eve Party; 1/8 Backpacks to homeless; 1-18/19/20 DEC Conference; 2/3 – 4 Chaplains Service @ Noon; Super bowl potluck at 2:00; 2/18 Ice Cream Social; 3/10 Marines - Battle of Branches; 3/24 – Navy Battle of the Branches .

Service Officer: The Derby Race at Vineyard Heights – Trudy Shelburne was the winner. All the residents enjoyed the race.

**Sgt. At Arms:** Parking lot striping has been delayed due to weather.

**Chaplain:** "Four Chaplains" Service to be done on February 4<sup>th</sup> starting at Noon.

**Volunteer Hours:** USAF – 100.3; USA – 96.5; USMC - 62.5; USN – 37.5. Total of 299.5.

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

**Riders:** The Post received a very nice thank-you letter from a family of a recently deceased veteran, thanking the Riders for the escort from McMinnville to Willamette National Cemetery. There were very gracious and thankful for the support they received from the Riders.

**Historian:** Leroy Brown & Gina Eggleton displayed an example of the chairs that the Post could obtain from the Elks Lodge and asked the Membership if they were in good enough condition.

Motion: By Bob Berweger that we not accept/take the chairs from the Elks Lodge – Seconded by J. Clayton – Passed.

**100 Year Anniversary of Post 21** will be in August 2020. Would like the City of McMinnville to recognize that Post 21 has been here for 100 years. A committee will be formed look forward to additional information in the future.

**Baseball:** Bob Berweger stated that last year Post 21 sponsored 3 youth teams through McMinnville Parks and Rec at a cost of \$1,000, would like the Post to continue and donate again for the 2019 season.

Motion: By Bob Berweger that Post 21 donate \$1,000 to McMinnville Parks and Rec to sponsor Parks and Rec Baseball & Softball – Seconded by Ron Grose – Passed.

**DEC:** January 18-19-20, Charlie Schmidt will be MC at Commander's Banquet. News Register and KLYC will be doing advertising still waiting for schedule. Honor Guard will escort the National Commander and VIPs to Evergreen for a Private Tour. 1<sup>st</sup> Vice – Larry Brown will be doing intro at Banquet Farley will be out of country.

**House Committee:** Will have a trailer on site to remove stored items that are no longer needed. Items in question will be placed in the Honor Room before they are disposed of, need to clean out the storage areas.

**Honor Guard:** A big thank-you to the Riders for helping to put flags out on the 3-mile Bridge in Honor of Pearl Harbor Day. If you would like to see the Veterans Day Parade you can find it on you-tube. Had three requests for Honors for a WWII vet, very confusing on date and time were unable to be present.

Good of the Order: Frosty presented Bob Berweger with a photo collage of pictures taken in the Rose Garden.

**Motion:** By Leroy Brown that the Post due a fundraiser to sell copies of photo collage with all funds raised to benefit the upkeep of the Rose Garden – Seconded by Codey Pankey – Passed.

**Sick and Injured:** Lil Farley – in hospice, keep her in our prayers. Alice Balcombe is on hospice, and not doing well, keep her in your prayers.

Next meeting is on January 16, 2018.