

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

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 - excused

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 - present

Motion: By Paul Schnell that we accept the Minutes as presented — Seconded by Thomas Clayton - **Passed**

New Members: Mike Miller — Korea, Army.

Motion: By Thomas Clayton that we accept Mike Miller as a new member, seconded by Tim Anderson — **Passed**.

Commander's Report: The Post will be closed tomorrow for sanitation, will reopen on Friday. We will be lowering the to half-staff when a member of our Legion Family passes.

Motion: By Thomas Clayton that we lower the flag when a Veteran or Legion Family member passes — Seconded by Paul Schnell — Passed.

Attended the Department Executive Committee and was fined \$100 for bragging about the Post.

2nd Vice: Auxiliary Crab Trip on hold due to weather. Working on Scholarship Poker run. Looking at Boys and Girls State. Crawfish Bowl in August. Working on getting cribbage up and running. Flag-line training at Post 150 this Saturday, you do not need to be a rider to attend. Superbowl potluck on 2/13/22. Battle of Branches to start in March.

Finance Officer: Finance Report: Current Post Account Balance \$220,946.58; Lottery Account 42501.63; Maintenance Account 3,351.01; Operating Cash - \$8690.10 = total assets of \$220,946.58. This shows an increase of \$24,244.02. Change from November of \$24,244.00. Honor Guard Account has been closed; Riders Account has been opened. December bills \$11,051.00, \$6,400 in maintenance, gas line for heater, restraint repairs, security system upgrade.

Motion: By Jim Connelly that we accept the Finance report as presented, seconded by Tim Anderson — Passed.

Service Officer: Currently working on an account with Best Western where they will bill us if we have a need to put a veteran up for the night. Had a Veteran come in and needed a few nights in a motel cost \$232.20.

Motion: By Tim Anderson that we reimburse the cost of the hotel — Seconded by Paul Schnell — Passed.

Chaplain: Looking into doing a blood drive at the Post. Four Chaplains coming up February 4th will be McAbe Chapel.

Judge Advocate: Reviewed changes to by-laws. Changes will be published in the newsletter and will be voted on at the next General Membership Meeting on February 16, 2022.

Riders: There will be a flag line training on Saturday. Riders meeting on Wednesday, January 26th — Officer will meet at 6:30, members will meet at 7:00.

Auxiliary: Christmas baskets were handed out to local veterans on December 18th, forty families received food baskets and forty children were given gifts. Seventy Christmas Stockings were stuffed full of all kinds of goodies and delivered to our Senior Veterans in several Yamhill County assisted living facilities. Once the baskets and gifts were distributed, the food that was left was picked up by Newberg Legion Post # 57 for help with their gift baskets and a food bank for Veterans.

House Committee: RV Park: Ryan Andrews passed away last week, unknown cause at this time. Virgil & Kathy Lucht have rented the vacant space. All spaces are rented with three of them at the increased rate of \$450. A water line broke in the freezing temperatures and was fixed by Rick.

Maintenance and Repairs: The parking lot drainage project was completed and is working great. Heat Pump HVAC was inspected (\$338.00) and one heat pump was repaired (\$325.00). Did a smoke test on the sewer lines, found no leakage and all the vents are working as they should. Will be making changes to the vent pipes on the roof so they will not vent close to any air intake of fan in hopes it will alleviate the smell problems. Ordered a new light for the flagpole in front. Looking into buying a backpack blower so Rick does not have to haul around a 100-foot electrical cord.

NEW BUSINESS:

Leaf blower donated by 1st Vice – Bruce Peterson.

DRAPING THE CHARTER: The Charter was draped in honor of Rod Brown and Jim Earl who recently passed.

Good of the Order: The Auxiliary is more active at this Post than any other Family.

Next meeting: February 16, 2021.