



Henry E. Bergdorf American Legion Post 155, Inc.

MEETING MINUTES

March 13, 2021

Meeting opened by Commander Bruce Taylor at 1030 hours.

Prayer given by Commander Bruce Taylor.

Colors placed. Pledge of Allegiance recited.

POW/MIA Chair Cover Placed.

Preamble recited by all Post, Auxiliary, and SAL members present:

Bruce Taylor, Shannon Mossman, David Cooper, Dennis Larsen, John Allison, Dana Bradfute, Bill Christman, Kathy Evans, Burt Fraley, John Jensen, Richard Taylor, and Barbara Cooper.

Guests present: Dan Ramsdell, QOV Members Theresa Wright and Barbara. A gourm was present.

Minutes of Febuary meeting were approved.

An Initiation Ceremony was conducted for Dana Bradfute.

A Quilts of Valor presentation was held for Kathy Evans.

Old Business:

- Continue Activity & Mileage Sheets.
- Any transfer forms/new member applications should be turned in at the end of the meeting.
- Bruce discussed the need for us to form an Honor Guard. He passed out an interest sheet for members to sign up.
- Bruce held a drawing for the last gun raffle. Henry Helgeson was the winner.
- Bruce noted that we still have three open Officer positions, Chaplain, Finance Officer, and Second Vice-Commander. Anyone interested in filling one of these positions should talk with Bruce or David.
- Bruce reminded the members that we will be hosting the next District 1 meeting on Saturday, March 20th at the Priest River Community Church in the lower level. Registration starts at 9:00 a.m. and we would like as many Post members there as

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possible. There is a \$3.00 registration fee and lunch will be provided by our Auxiliary Unit for \$10.00. Snacks will be provided.

New Business:

- Post Officer Elections will be held at our April meeting. Anyone interested in taking a position should let Bruce or David know. Installation of Officers will take place at our May Post meeting.
- Bruce passed out Veteran Assistance business cards to the members to be given to any Veteran we see to let them know where to find help if they or some other Veteran they know may need some kind of assistance.
- A new gun raffle will be for a S&W "EZ" Slide pistol and a box of shells. We will be at ACE Hardware on April 2nd and at Tractor Supply on April 16th, both at 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Any help with the ticket sales would be greatly appreciated.

Officer Reports:

- First Vice – Shannon continues to work with the P.O. City Radio Group to place repeater radios around the area.
- Second Vice – Bill is wintering in San Diego and has requested that due to him having to be in San Diego during the winter months that he would like for someone to assume the duties of this position. He should be back to Priest River in June.
- Finance – Bruce reported that we have current funds on hand of \$9,412.92 as of February 28th in the bank. The Finance report was approved. The Finance Officer position is currently open and we need someone to volunteer to take over the position.
- Sgt. At Arms – Chris was absent attending a family function.
- Service Officer –John Jensen's knee surgery was successful.
- Chaplain – Nothing new to report. Chuck Mattson has requested that he be replaced as Chaplain so we need someone to volunteer to take over this position.
- Historian – Dennis brought the Post History Binders to the meeting. They look really nice.
- Auxiliary President – Barbara gave an update on the Unit's members and their activities. She also talked about being able to provide monetary donations to local first responder organizations to help them get equipment they need to do their jobs. She said that they are in the process of setting up their Pay Pal account so they can accept Credit Cards for donations and raffle ticket sales. The unit will have a raffle set up at the District Meeting as the Host Post is allowed to do so. The Unit has two new members and is recruiting wives of Post members and their daughters for the Junior Auxiliary Program.
- Adjutant – David said that the Auxiliary now also accepts spouses of female Post members. He said that Boys State selections are moving right along. Three boys from PRLHS and one boy from Sandpoint High have submitted applications. The next step is to interview each of them and turn in their paperwork to the Department. He reminded everyone again that we should attend the upcoming District Meeting and to consider filling one of our open Officer positions.

For the Good of The Legion:

- Our next Coffee Day will be on Tuesday, March 16th at 9:00 a.m. at the Riverbank Restaurant in Oldtown. Due to an increased attendance we will have these coffee day events every Tuesday at 9:00 a.m. from now on. Everyone is welcome. We had 14 people at our last coffee day.
- Bruce discussed the need to purchase a small travel trailer that can be used as a mobile office during community events for promoting the Post and Unit.
- Next Post meeting: Saturday, April 10th at 10:30 a.m.
- Colors retired, POW/MIA chair cover removed. Closing prayer given by Commander Bruce Taylor.

ADJOURNMENT at 1200 hours.

Respectfully Submitted,

David G. Cooper
Post 155 Adjutant