



American Legion Post 408 Business Meeting August 2024.

At 7:00 pm date 2024 a quorum was present of 14 Legion Members and 2 guests. The meeting opened with a prayer offered by Chaplain Mike Bulger and a moment of silence for the POW/MIA. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by the 1st Vice Commander. The American Legion Preamble was led by the Commander. Command Clare declared the John M. West, Derby-Haysville Post 408, Department of Kansas business session convened.

1. Roll call:

1st Vice, Laurie Hickle- excused
2nd Vice, Doug Sherwood- excused
Adjutant, Mike Brady- excused
Finance Officer, Joe Dinino- present
Service Officer, Chuck Amason- excused
Sgt. of Arms: - Kevin Honn, Terry Gowen (present/excused)
Chaplain, Michael Bulger- present
Historian, Open
Executive Committee, Morris Short excused, Dick Helzer present, Steve Tackett excused
Public Relations Officer: Mike Saindon- excused
Judge Advocate: Terry Marr- present

2. Introduction of guest and prospective members as read by Commander Clare.

3. The month minutes meeting ready to be read.

- a. **Motion to:** forego the reading of the minutes was presented by Joe Dinino;
- b. **2nd by:** Steve Hines; minutes approved, motion passed.

4. Finance report was read by finance officer, Joe Dinino.

- a. **Motion to:** accept the month's Finance Report by, Terry Marr
- b. **2nd by:** Steve Hinds. Motion passed,

5. Officer and Committee Reports:

1st Vice Commander Report: no report

2nd Vice POW/MIA Report: no report

Adjutant report: reported by Commander: July membership was transmitted to national with \$2,000 paid membership. There were 3 new members. Motion to accept new members was presented by Joe Dinino; 2nd by Terry Marr. Motion passed

Post Service Officer Report: There have been several members who have passed

Chaplain: Mike Bulger –

Auxiliary: Tracy Barton – Terry Gowen reported in Tracy's absence. Auxiliary fund raisers and Bunco

SAL: Mike Saindon – no report

Legion Riders Report: No report

BOG: Barbara King reported on Canteen operations and finance report. Canteen will be open 7-days a week starting Sept 8th, need bartenders to operate. This summer has been very slow finance for the Post. Joe Dinino reported on building update activities and need for security cameras – to be discussed under New Business; motion was made to purchase the NFL package by Joe Dinino; 2nd by Mike Bulger.

Foundation: Rhonda Hundley reported raffle tickets were being sold for VIP seating to the McConnell Air Show Blue Angels. \$5 = 1 \$20 = 5

Fundraising Committee: Rhonda Hundley reported – peach orders will be accepted until Aug 8th.

Public Relations: Mike Saindon reported – no report

Children and Youth: No report.

**Boys State
Cadet Law
Oratorical**

Golf: No report

Parade: No Report

Motion to accept Officers and Committee Reports: Mike Bulger; 2nd by Joe Dinino

6. Old Business:
 - a. Cruisers to be added under Rider Report. Dues are \$20 per year; only need 1 family member to participate. Patches and charter still need to be approved by DEC (Dept Exec Committee)
7. New Business:
 - a. Burglar retired; propose purchasing a Bugle Box for replacement. Legion will purchase at \$580. Motion to purchase Bugle Box was made by Terry Marr; 2nd by Dick Helzer. Discussion - Bugle Box will be secured in the Legion Office. Motion passed.
 - b. Commander Clare presented a letter submitted by BOG Chair recognizing members of BOG.
 - c. Security Cameras – a need has been identified requiring the installation of security cameras in additional locations around the inside of the Post. Items are disappearing. Commander Clare has priced systems that would have a 30 day storage at the cost of approximately \$2,500. Motion to ask each entity to support by contributing \$500 for a total of \$2,000 was presented by Terry Marr. , 2nd by Joe Dinino. BOG would contribute the balance \$500.
 - d. 5th District requested Post 408 host National Commander visit/dinner. Sept 22, 23, or 24th. Motion was made by Steve Hinds to have Post 408 host the dinner; Terry Marr 2nd. Motion passed.
8. Motion to close the business session – Joe Dinino; 2nd by Terry Marr. Motion passed
9. Commander Clare declared the next meeting Sept 5, 2024; business session closed @ 19:45 pm.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Attendance
2. POW/MIA Report
3. BOG Updates