

American Legion Post 408 Business Meeting 1 December 2022.

At 7:00pm 1 Dec 2022 a quorum was present of 20 Legion Members and 11 guests. The meeting opened with a prayer offered by Chaplain Monta Plank 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. Commander Tackett declared the John M. West, Derby-Haysville Post 408, Department of Kansas business session convened.

1. Roll call:

1st. Vice, Terry Gowen-present

2nd Vice, Hugh Clare-present.

Adjutant, John McCullough-present.

Finance Officer, Joe Dinino-present.

Service Officer, John McCullough-present.

Sgt. of Arms: Jim Eliason-present.

Chaplain, Monta Plank-present

Historian, Open.

Executive Committee, Morris Short present, Joe Williams absent, Dickie Helzer absent.

- 2. The minutes of our last meeting will be read. Motion to forgo the reading of the minutes as amended and published via email by Joe Dinino , 2nd by Steve Hinds. Motion passed.
- Introduction of guest and prospective members as read by Commander Tackett.
 Attached.
- 4. Finance report as read by Joe Dinino. Motion to accept the November Finance Report by Terry Marr, 2nd by Steve Hinds. Motion passed.
- 5. Committee Reports:

Boys State: No report. Cadet law: No report.

Children And Youth: No report.

Oratorical: No report.

Fundraising. Read by Rhonda Hundley. To be attached. Foundation report read by Pat Kitterman. To be attached.

Parade: 3 December, 6 pm.

Golf: No report.

SAL: Membership is at 49 renewed. Goal of 67 for 73.13%.

Kids Christmas party 3 December Post 408 from 1pm to 3pm.

Raffle for Am-15 Rifle on going. Hope to draw for the rifle on Christmas Day. Next SAL Meeting is 11 December, 1pm. Everyone is welcome to attend. ALR Ride report read by Brian Simpson. Commander Lacount mentioned the SAL 15th Birthday cake that will be provided at the Legion Family Christmas party.

POW/MIA: Read by Hugh Clare. Attached.

Chaplain: Need to keep Patricia Peterson, Monta Plank, Don Peoples and Alvin Hook in our prayers as they are recovering from being ill.

Auxiliary: Next meeting: December 12 at 7pm. 100 stainless steel cups to be sold at \$25.00 each. See flier on Website. If purchase needs to be shipped it will be \$5.00 extra. Membership is @ 52 paid members for the 22-23 year. Goal set by National is 71 members. We are at 73%. Decorating for Christmas @ the post will be Friday evening in conjunction with setting up Christmas for kids hosted by the SAL. Hope everyone is available to join the fun. Christmas potluck December 12, 2022 7pm. Please bring two covered dishes. Turkey, ham and potatoes provided.

BOG: Treasurer report read by Joe Dinino. Motion made by Terry Marr to accept the report as read, 2nd by Monta Plank. Motion passed. Ideatec will be the provider for our Internet. \$100.00 for Internet, and \$30.00 per line for phones. Gateway wireless & network service made a layout of where our cameras should go. Handrails are in the paint process. Some items have been added to the wish list on the website. Keg box will be ordered. The following BOG members' one year term is up at the end of the year. Terry Marr AL, Leslie Eliason, ALA, Brian Lacount SAL.

- 6. 1st. Vice Commander report: No report.
- 7. Public Relations. Mike Saindon mentioned the December food drive, xmas Parade and xmas parade. We adopted 4 families for Christmas. Two from Derby, two from Haysville. Mike also read a list of upcoming missions starting in December 2022. There will be a Haysville recognition at 200 W Grand, 12 December. Be there at 6:50pm. All are welcome.
- 8. Adjutant report: American Legion membership is at 184 renewed for 72.44%. Membership cards were available for anyone wanting to pay dues.
- 9. Service Officer Report: The Dole VA is having a Town Hall concerning the "Pact Act". Services offered will be Toxic Exposure Screening, benefits and claims assistance. Veterans attending can get help enrolling in VA health-care or applying for VA benefits. Bring any paperwork you have and you're DD214. You can also go to va.gov/pact. You can also call 1-800-myva411.
- 10. Old Business: A motion was made on the by-law change that was presented to the membership at the November Legion meeting by Terry Marr, it was 2nd. by Dayle Dabney. Motion was unanimous.
- 11. New Business: Commander Tackett mentioned the punch list of the many things still needed to get done to get the post open. He asked everyone to come to the post to help. We need all the help we can get and then some. Hugh Clare volunteered to fill the one year term for the BOG, replacing Terry Marr. Terry Marr made a motion to accept Hugh Clare for the year term, Adjutant John Mccullough cast one vote to accept Hugh Clare. Motion passed.
- 12. No items were brought up for the good of Post 408.
- 13. No other business items were brought before the membership.
- 14. Until we meet again, let us remember that our obligation to our Country can only be fulfilled by our faithful performance and our duties as Citizens. Our next regularly scheduled meeting will be held Thursday, January 5th, 2023 at 7pm. Happy New Year Everyone.
- 15. Nomination by all to close the business session. 2nd by all.
- 16. Commander Tackett declared the business Session closed.