Woodbury American Legion
-----The Fighting 501st-----

Post 501 Membership Meeting, 23 July 2026

Meeting called to order, by Commander Dolan, with opening ceremonies at 6:35PM.

Previous Meeting's Minutes
-- Meeting minutes from membership meeting (25 June) were reviewed and approved as submitted.

Financial Report
-- Post 501 financial report (July), referencing checking account balance of $ 12,440.93, savings account balance of $ 5.00, and certificate of deposit account balance of $ 11,490.05 with total account balance of $ 23,935.98, was approved as presented.

Membership
Fifty-eight members are paid through 30 June 2027. Seventeen are "paid for life" members. Membership goal for the year is to reach 126 members.

Service Officer
-- Wounded Warrior Ride is scheduled on 25 July, starting at Veterans Memorial. The Wall That Heals (traveling Vietnam Wall) will be at Polar Lakes Park, White Bear Township 6-9 August. Post 501/Post 9024 picnic is scheduled at Carver Lake Park on 18 August. Post 501 will have a booth at Woodbury Days and participate in the parade on Sunday, 30 August. September poppy distribution is scheduled 11, 12, 13 September. We are confirming locations but expect to be at same six locations as in May. Kim Family Annual Korean War Veterans Appreciation Picnic is scheduled at Long Lake Regional Park in New Brighton on 26 September. Our color guard has been asked to participate in opening ceremonies.

Communications
Recent Legionnaire paper included picture from our Memorial Day Program.

Donation Committee
-- Motion, second, discussion and approval to donate $ 300.00 to Honor Flight
- Motion, second, discussion and approval to donate $200.00 to SOWASHCARES

Unfinished Business

-- Tim Crear Recognition/Remembrance

Post 9024 provided $ 210.00 (collected at their membership meeting) toward purchase of a Veterans Memorial paver for Tim.

-- Honor Guard Revenue/Expenses

Post 9024 has incurred expenses of $ 437.182 (rifle maintenance, uniforms, alterations, supplies, etc) and received $300.00 in revenue (VFW funeral stipends, family donations, etc.).

New Business

-- Post Audit

Post audit was completed on 30 June. Audit suggested that donation dollar amounts be included in meeting minutes.

--- Post 501/Post 9024 Picnic

Picnic is scheduled on Tuesday, 18 August at Carver Lake Park. Please RSVP if you plan to attend.

-- Woodbury Days

Woodbury Days is scheduled 27-30 August. Post 501 will have a booth for the three days and participate in parade on Sunday. Please sign up if you are able to help with the booth. If participating in parade, either meet at Lake Middle School at 8:30AM, or ride shuttle from Bailey Elementary School.

-- Buddy Poppies

September distribution is scheduled on 11, 12, 13 September. Please volunteer to help if you are available. Poppy distribution is our primary revenue source to fund our many projects and programs.

Announcements

-- Kowalski's Market Receipt Box

Commander Dolan mentioned that Kowalski's Market had created receipt boxes for several organizations. If shoppers place their receipt in one of the boxes, the organization will receive a percentage of the receipt amount.

-- Closing Ceremonies

Meeting adjourned at 7:15PM

Next meeting scheduled at 6:30PM on 27 August at Jerrys Foods.

Respectfully submitted
Paul Lindahl