

Minutes of the General Membership Meeting Held on June 11, 2019

Post 240 Commander Dave Forsman called the meeting to order at 1834.

Chaplain delivered the opening prayer to open the meeting followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll call was taken with all Post Officers and Committee Chairs present with the exception of Finance Officer John Edens (excused), and House Committeemen Rob Mangan and Rob Reinhart (unknown).

Prior month's minutes were accepted by voice vote with no changes.

Finance Officer. First Vice reported for the Finance Officer. The financial position of the Post, noting assets reported as of May 31, 2019, was \$150,712. Total expenses in May 2019 were \$8,943. Total income reported for May 2019 was \$9,270. Net worth for May was reported as \$100,712, reflecting \$50,000 in reserve from total assets (see above).

1st Vice Commander: 1st Vice Commander noted membership stood at 90% renewal rate representing 915 active members. The names were then read of 6 new and 2 transfer memberships received during the previous 30 days. The names of the inductees were read, and a motion was made to accept new members, and the motion was seconded with no further discussion. Motion approved by voice vote.

Chaplain: Nothing to report.

2nd Vice Commander: It was noted that Mother's Day was a huge success and that the breakfasts were well-received.

Father's Day will offer breakfast free for fathers. If the Ladies Auxiliary cannot afford to sponsor the free breakfasts, a motion was made to have the Post pick-up the cost. Motion was seconded, and carried by unanimous voice vote.

An upcoming event will be a Professional Wrestling Match outside in the Pavilion Area on June 22nd starting @ 1300 to 1700. It will cost \$8.00 admission and food and drinks will be available from the Post for purchase. WWII Veterans will get in free. No glass bottles or cocktail glasses will be allowed, only solo cups. There will be a pot luck with burgers and hotdogs, live music

and possibly a bounce house for the kids in the parking lot for July 4th here at the Post. A motion was made and carried to sponsor food up to \$400.00 in cost for July 4th. Motion was seconded and carried unanimously. A second motion to sponsor a kids bounce house up to \$300.00 in cost was made, seconded and carried by voice vote.

3rd Vice Commander: It was noted that the Fish Fry sales at the last Car Show and Fish Fry for June went well. There were \$281 in expenses, with a net profit of \$122.00. The Car Show also had a good turnout.

Sergeant-At-Arms: New SAA Dave Buck noted that there were 30 people in attendance. Nothing further to report.

Historian: Currently finishing the yearbook. If anyone has knowledge and perhaps pictures of any fallen members from the past year, please share.

Boys State: The Boys State activities are on track. The seventh young man picked as an alternate has been moved up and will now also be attending.

Bingo: The Bingo system crashed this past week, but has been fixed. Approximately \$10,000 was turned over to the Finance Officer from Bingo sales. It was noted that Bingo still need the support of volunteers, and that Bingo currently receives approximately 85 to 120 attendees.

Judge Advocate: Nothing to report.

Service Officer: Service Officer numbers for the May 2019 were reported out as being: Veterans Helped – 63; Mileage Driven In-Service To Veterans – 1,005; Volunteer Hours Expended – 94; and, and \$84.00 in gasoline expenses.

Scholarships: Nothing to report.

Children and Youth: Nothing to report.

Blood Chairman: Nothing to report.

Sons of The American Legion: Nothing to report.

Legion Riders: The Acting Chairperson of the Riders reported that they are having issues with parking for motorcycles. Riders want to paint a no parking area outside fence and designate stripes on concrete pad for motorcycle parking. It was noted that there are 2 Motorcycle-Only parking signs in storage. Motion made to allow for painting. Motion was tabled to the Executive Board meeting at end of month due to need for more information.

Lounge Report: The Lounge Manager, Sue Terry, informed the meeting that there had been security alarm issues the past week and so there was no detailed report available. The Wrestling show on the 22nd was noted, as was the requirements to limit drinks to red solo cups for safety reasons, and that there would be “civilian prices” at the back bar (as a note to membership that they should remember this and buy drinks at the Lounge bar if this was a concern to any of them.)

House Committee: The House Committee informed the membership that the alarm sensors issue had been repaired. The arrival of the bollards for protecting the corner of the building have been received for installation within a week. Parking lot needs striping, but will need sweeping first before paint can be applied.

Unfinished Business: The Third Vice Commander’s position remains unfilled. No nominations received. A second issue was raised in the need to approve the solicitation and award of a contract for a three-year audit of the Post’s finances. The cost is \$13,000 and is inclusive of all costs and Post activities. A motion was made to approve. It was seconded, and finally approved by a majority voice vote.

New Business: A motion was made to allow smoking at the General Membership meetings. Discussion ensued, and the motion was seconded. A vote of members present denied the motion and the motion failed to carry.

Correspondence: Nothing to report.

Good of the Legion: Nothing to report.

Meeting adjourned: The meeting was adjourned by the Commander at 1925.

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Dave Forsman
Post 240 Commander

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Joseph Bodmer
Post 240 Adjutant