

Minutes of the Executive Committee Meeting Held on July 30, 2019

Post 240 Commander Dave Forsman called the meeting to order at 1830.

Roll call was taken with all Post Officers and Committee Chairs present except for the following: 3rd Vice (vacant position), and Historian (excused).

Finance Officer. Finance Officer reported the financial position of the Post, noting cash and bank account assets reported as of June 30, 2019 as \$169,587. This amount reflected \$56,475 in General Funds and \$113,112 in Money Market funds. Liabilities were reflected as \$50,000 in obligated reserve funds for a net overall total of \$119,587. Finance also advised the Committee that an approximately \$12,000 in property and liability insurance premiums were coming due in the next 60 days.

1st Vice Commander: 1st Vice Commander announced that she had transferred approximately \$7,000 to Finance from membership renewal and new member dues received. This was reflective of approximately 175 renewals. Another 45-50 were still to processed so additional deposits were forthcoming.

Chaplain: Chaplain advised the Committee that John Wyers was admitted to the hospital and that the family hoped he would be able to go home tomorrow. Continued to call for attendance at funerals, and ceremonies in the future.

2nd Vice Commander: The 2nd Vice advised the Committee that the July 4th celebration at the Post was a great success, with special thanks to Linda Beckstrom and Amy Quinn for the decorations. In addition, kudos were made to the 2nd Vice Commander for his work in getting the great advertising and coverage of the event on WEAR Television who came and covered to the event

3rd Vice Commander: 3rd Vice and the Commander noted that Steve Stillwell of the House Committee did a Yeoman's job handling the Fish Fry. Steve noted that there were serious concerns about the heat build-up in the Cook Shack and that there was need of more ventilation there. One solution was made to use the orange hurricane fan in the Cook Shack.

Sergeant-At-Arms: Nothing to report.

Historian: Excused Absence. Steve Stillwell reported that the annual Post 240 Yearbook had been completed was being transmitted to the National Headquarters for inclusion in the Yearbook of the Year contest.

Boys State: It was noted that Scott Wenzel had submitted his \$500 matching funds for the Boys State charitable donation. Kudos to Scott for his matching gift.

Judge Advocate: Nothing to report.

House Committee: The House Committee informed the membership Hal Eyerly had been selected as House Committee Chair. Hal asked where he could locate the Bar Manager's contract, as well as the cleaning services and maintenance contracts. Adjutant noted he would consult his computer back-up files for copies of the aforementioned contracts. The House Committee was encouraged to begin a search for new cleaning services to replace the existing services performed by Shiloh. The Commander noted that the maintenance services would not be put on an employee basis but would continue to be paid as in the past.

A question was raised as to the need to renew the license and registration tags on the trailer parked in the back grounds. We continue to have a leak in the roof in the rear, and are awaiting a response from the roofing contractor. Insurance expires next month, and a question was raised as to the need for Insurance Company presentations. To that end, it was suggested the House Committee handle any interviews/presentations and brief the Committee on recommendations. Finally, we have a contract with Orkin Pest Control, and need to contact them to address the rat infestation on the grounds and Cook Shack area.

Lounge Report: The Lounge Manager, Sue Terry, informed the meeting that there would be a party on the 27th and that Bo Waggoner of the House Committee would be the duty officer for it. In addition, a Baby Shower was scheduled for the 28th. An Italian Cookoff is scheduled for the 10th of August. Starting August 5th, Mimi DeBartolo would be the Acting Bar Manager as Sue Terry had jury duty that week. An updated Officer Duty List for event monitoring would be placed on the refrigerator in the Lounge back room. Finally, an updated phone listing would be published next week for the Lounge and Officers.

Bingo: The Commander will be out for the week starting Sunday, August 4th for vacation. Bingo business continues to be good despite the summer slowdown period. Tere Beckman (1st Vice Commander) will be in charge during that period. \$3,500 to be deposited from Bingo proceeds. Though it seems like a low amount, it is attributable to the summer slow period (with Bingo averaging 65 to 80 people per night).

Service Officer: Nothing to report. A motion was made to reimburse the Service Officer for mileage at the Federal Travel Regulations mileage rate of .58 cents a mile. Motion carried.

Sons of The American Legion: Still need bank accounts set-up (Commander will work with SAL to address need). SAL received a \$1,000 donation for an awareness campaign and a \$12,000 grant from Crown Healthcare Services. Finally, a motion was made to extend the Billboard contract one month in order that the General Membership can vote on a longer extension of the advertising contract. Motion carried.

Legion Riders: The Director advised the Committee a “Meat Bingo” would begin in September (7th) and every first Saturday each month thereafter (October 5th, November 2nd, etc.,) as a fundraiser. A Fun Run event has been changed to October 13th, and on September 14th there will be a Ride to support Homeless Veterans to raise blankets, jackets, and socks. Riders and SAL both need revised/new bank accounts established. Commander acknowledged this would be done. Lastly, an advisory was raised that the Car Show vendor tents were interfering with the Riders Parking Lot and that this needed to be addressed.

Ladies Auxiliary: There would be a Planning Meeting for the Ladies Auxiliary next Tuesday. A Casino Night is planned for September 21st with “Good Fellas” as the event contractor handling the table games. Tickets for the event will be available behind the bar. Lastly, the Auxiliary is planning a Fall Fest on October 26th for the kids with a Bounce House, games and more.

Unfinished Business: Smoking at the General Membership meetings was again raised and the Commander noted that he remained opposed.

New Business: It was noted that John Wyers wanted to pass along his greetings to the Karaoke night attendees on Friday. The Thursday Night Pool League wants to be reimbursed for their \$50 league dues.

Good of the Legion: Thanks to Amy and Dan Quinn for their continued care and watering of our outdoor plants and planters.

Meeting adjourned: The meeting was adjourned by the Commander at 1945.

/s/

Dave Forsman
Post 240 Commander

/s/

Joseph Bodmer
Post 240 Adjutant