



Robert H. Baker American Legion Post 95 Meeting Minutes of January 16, 2007

19 members in attendance: Paul Riechman, Donna Warren, Mike Edwards, Alan Shannon, Ray Nichols, Robert Emery, Paul Ellison, John Gibbs, Fred Cox, Ira Hunter, Larry Allen, Melvin Johnston, Don Happy, Ted Nelson, Ray Merrill, Jim Riech, John Kopp, John Gibbs, Fred Cox, Lester Brown

Commander Kopp opened the meeting in due form at 19:02 HRS

Commander John Kopp performed Post Everlasting Ceremony

Commander John Kopp led the pledge of allegiance and reading of the preamble

Adjutant Robert Emery read the minutes of the December meeting. The minutes were approved as read.

Commander John Kopp passed around a newspaper article about Ted Nelson receiving his High School Diploma.

Finance Officer Ray Nichols read the Finance Report; a copy of the report is included with the minutes. The report was approved as read.

Ray Nichols passed around a get well card for Frank Nichols who recently fell on the ice and spent a night in the hospital.

Honor Guard/Flag Etiquette:

Honor guard Commander Mike Edwards passed around letters from the children at Alexander Doniphan Elementary School about the Flag Etiquette Program the Post had given them.

Oratorical Contest:

Ray Nichols reported that the District contest had been rescheduled for Sunday the 21st in Richmond, MO.

Old Business:

Commander John Kopp talked about Ted Nelson receiving his High School Diploma at the December Family Dinner.

Commander John Kopp thanked Paul Payne for his work on getting the food for the dinner and thanked all those who helped with the dinner.

Commander John Kopp showed the bowls and pot the Post had purchased for the Post to Use at its dinners.

Avenue of Flags:

Don Happy reported that he had contacted Frevert's Hardware and they are waiting for a new promotion on American Flags. Don Happy said that once they get a price he will order fifty flags and conduit from Frevert's Hardware.

Newsletter Ad Sales:

Don Happy reported that he had sixteen paid and nine billed newsletter sponsors and that he may need one or two new newsletter sponsors for 2007.

Commander John Kopp read various Thank You cards the Post had received in December.

Commander John Kopp read a request for Business cards from a Make a Wish kid.

Donna Warren talked about creating a printed Post Directory. The directory would be created by Donna and a friend who has the equipment to do it. Donna said that the directory would be made at



no cost to the Post.

Ray Nichols made a motion to provide Post information to Donna for the Post Directory. Alan Shannon seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Spaghetti Dinner:

Commander John Kopp talked about setting a date for this year's dinner. The date for the dinner was set for March 31st and will be held from 16:30 till 19:00 with the cost for meal ticket set at \$6.

Don Happy was asked to get the raffle prizes again. Don Happy asked for a spending limit.

Alan Shannon made a motion to set a limit of \$300 for raffle prizes. John Gibbs seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Commander John Kopp said that we would let Active Duty personnel in uniform eat for free.

Commander John Kopp reported that he had earned a Boom Box from doing online surveys and that the Boom Box would be used for parades.

Liberty Spring on the Square:

Commander Kopp asked if we should setup an information table again this year and if we should use a free space or buys a space on the street.

Good of the Post:

Commander John Kopp talked about the American Legion and the VFW helping a veteran, Richard Tial out over the holidays. Commander John Kopp said that this is the type of cooperation we should have between the two groups.

Commander John Kopp reminded everyone about BINGO at Cedars on January 25th and asked if someone would bring snacks. Larry Allen said that he would bring the snacks.

Commander John Kopp talked about the 3rd District Meeting being rescheduled for Sunday January 21st in Richmond, MO and starting at 10:00 HRS.

Commander John Kopp talked about the Post purchasing a coffee pot of its own. Paul Ellison said the MAR-BECK had one for \$139. Larry Allen made a motion that the Post purchases a coffee pot for the Post. John Gibbs seconded the motion. The motion Passed.

Alan Shannon talked about looking at a used trailer for the Post to use as a replacement for the current trailer. After some discussion all thought Alan should look at the trailer and report back.

Commander John Kopp gave a year in review of every thing the Post had accomplished over the last year and thanked all that had helped.

Don Happy talked about getting a group together and going down and tour the Liberty Memorial.

Commander John Kopp closed the meeting in due form at 20:02 HRS

Submitted _____
Robert C. Emery – Adjutant

Approved _____
John Kopp - Commander