



## **Robert H. Baker American Legion Post 95 Meeting Minutes of October 19, 2010**

29 members and 1 guest in attendance Jerry Head, Gary Reno, Robert Emery, Tracy Lavigne, Jim Riech, Le Roy Coe, Don Happy, Larry Allen, Paul Ellison, Mack Williams, Ron McBee, John Gibbs, Marvin Scott, Rev. Donna Warren, Lester Brown, Ray Nichols, Mike Edwards, Jake Sambroski, Judi Sambroski, Frank Roth, Sam Leonard, Gene Welch, Ron Pardeck, Jerry Pate, Charles Acock, Ray Merrill, and guest Gerald Wicklund.

Post 95 Commander Jerry Head opened the meeting at 19:03 HRS

Post 95 Chaplin Donna Warren gave the opening prayer.

Post 95 Commander Jerry Head led the post in the pledge of allegiance and reading of the preamble.

Post 95 Commander Jerry Head asked for reading of the minutes from the last meeting.

Judi Sambroski made a motion to forgo the reading of the minutes from the last meeting. LeRoy Coe seconded the motion and the motion passed.

Post 95 Commander Jerry Head introduced Gerald Wicklund from CARSTAR in Liberty.

Gerald Wicklund talked about CARSTAR Military Appreciation Day November 9<sup>th</sup> starting at 19:00 HRS.

Post 95 Commander Jerry Head introduced new Post 95 member Tracy Lavigne and asked her to talk a little about her self. Tracy Lavigne talked about her service and herself.

Post 95 Commander Jerry Head introduced Post 95 members Chuck Acock, Oscar Lawson JR., and Walter Kniffen and asked each of them to talk a little about themselves.

Finance Report: Post 95 Finance Officer Don Happy gave the Finance Report for October. A copy of the finance report is included with the minutes. Post 95 Finance Officer Don Happy talked about the Certificate of Deposit that is due to mature October 27<sup>th</sup>. Post 95 Finance Officer Don Happy reported that the Post had until November 6<sup>th</sup> to renew the CD or withdraw the monies. Ray Nichols made a motion to have Post 95 Finance Officer Don Happy, Post 95 Commander Jerry Head, and Paul Ellison take care of the details for the CD. Jim Riech seconded the motion and the motion passed.

Membership: Senior Vice Commander LeRoy Coe reported that the current paid up membership for Post 95 was 196. Senior Vice Commander LeRoy Coe asked for volunteers to help call the unpaid members and see if they would pay their 2011 dues. Ray Nichols and Jerry Pate said that they would help call Post members.

Senior Vice Commander LeRoy Coe talked about Lloyd Gilliam not being able to pay his 2011 dues. Ray Nichols made a motion to have Post 95 pay Lloyd Gilliam's 2011 dues. Don Happy seconded the motion and the motion passed.

Honor Guard: Post 95 Honor Team Commander Mike Edwards reported that the Post had only performed at one funeral since the last Post Meeting.

Flag Etiquette: Flag Etiquette Chairman Mike Edwards reported that there are two Flag Etiquette classes scheduled so far.

November 3<sup>rd</sup> Shoal Creek at 13:15 HRS and November 12<sup>th</sup> at Lillian Shoemaker at 09:20 HRS.



Oratorical Contest: Post 95 Oratorical Chairman Ron Pardeck reported that the Clay County contest would be held on December 6<sup>th</sup>. Post 95 Oratorical Chairman Ron Pardeck talked about in the past the Post awarding the contest winner \$200 dollars. Ron Pardeck made a motion to award the Oratorical Contest winner \$200 dollars. Ray Nichols seconded the motion and the motion passed.

Boys State: No Report

BINGO at Cedars: Post 95 Commander Jerry Head reported that BINGO would be this Thursday October 21<sup>st</sup>.

Don Happy talked about needing to move the day for BINGO in November due to the holiday. It was decided to move BINGO in November to November 22<sup>nd</sup>.

Post 95 Commander Jerry Head read a request for donation from the Liberty Community Christmas Tree. Jerry Pate made a motion that that Post 95 donate \$100 dollars to the Liberty Community Christmas Tree. Ray Nichols seconded the motion and the motion passed.

Chili Supper: Larry Allen asked for volunteers to help with the Chili Supper and passed around a sign up sheet.

Robert Emery asked what the prizes were so he could make up the raffle tickets. Le Roy Coe said that the prizes were \$100 Hy-Vee Gift Card, \$100 Price Chopper Gift Card, \$75 Quik Trip Gift Card, \$75 Lowes Gift Card, and a certificate for a hand made fishing pole.

Robert Emery made a suggestion that the custom fishing pole be reserved for a special raffle.

Larry Allen made a motion that the custom fishing pole be used in a special raffle. Le Roy Coe seconded the motion. After some discussion Larry Allen withdrew the motion and the custom fishing pole will be added to the regular raffle drawing.

Post 95 Commander Jerry Head talked about the new Liberty High School requesting a Color Guard for Veterans Day. Post 95 Commander Jerry Head also said that all veterans were invited to a free breakfast at the High School.

Post 95 Commander Jerry Head also talked about a request for Veterans to lead the pledge and greet the students at the Elementary Schools the week after Veterans Day.

Sickness and Distress;

Ray Nichols reported that Foster Sires was not doing well.

Ron Pardeck reported that the doctors had removed the entire tumor from his grandson's brain and was now receiving chemo therapy.

Don Happy talked about replacing the American Flag at CEDARS and that the POW/MIA Flag was also in need of replacement. Ray Nichols made a motion to have the Post replace the POW/MIA flag at Cedars. Mike Edwards seconded the motion and the motion passed.

John Gibbs talked about the VA Hospital having their drive through Flu Shot clinic.

Gary Reno talked about the identification and return of three Vietnam MIA's remains.

Gary Reno talked about the over used and mis-defined use of HERO for all returning veterans.

Post 95 Commander Jerry Head passed around a sign up sheet for the color guard and rifle team for the Military Appreciation Celebration at the Liberty CARSTAR on November 9<sup>th</sup>.

Post 95 Chaplain Donna Warren gave the closing prayer

Post 95 Commander Jerry Head thanked everyone for attending to nights meeting.

Post 95 Commander Jerry Head closed the meeting in due form at 20:04 HRS.

Submitted \_\_\_\_\_

Approved \_\_\_\_\_



Robert C. Emery – Adjutant

Jerry Head - Commander