



Robert H. Baker American Legion Post 95 Meeting Minutes of March 19, 2013

With twenty eight (28) members and two (2) guests in attendance:

Larry Allen, Jake Samborski, Judi Samborski, Ron Pardeck, Robert Emery, Donald Happy, Melvin Johnston, Ray Merrell, Lester Brown, John Gibbs, Bob Beeks, Vern Mattocks, Jim Rieck, Ira Hunter, Jerry Pate, Ray Creswell, Jerry Head, Paul Ellison, Ray Nichols, Sam Leonard, LeRoy Coe, Bill Steinkamp, Charles Acock, Robert Beatty, Mike Edwards, Tom Troutman, Wally Glasco.

Guest: Tammy and Logan – Preferred Hospice.

Post 95 Commander Judi Samborski proceeded to opened the meeting at 19:00 HRS

Post 95 Commander Judi Samborski led Post in salute to colors.

Post 95 Chaplain Paul Ellison gave the opening prayer.

Post 95 Commander Judi Samborski led the post in the pledge of allegiance and reading of the preamble.

Post 95 Commander Judi Samborski asked for a reading of the minutes from the last Post 95 meeting. Jerry Pate made a motion to forgo the reading of the minutes from the last meeting and proceed with regular business. Sam Leonard seconded the motion and the motion passed.

Guest and New Members:

Post 95 Commander Judi Samborski asked LeRoy Coe to introduce Tammy and Logan from Preferred Hospice. Tammy talked about services provided by hospice. Tammy thanked the Post for letting her speak at the Post meeting.

Post 95 Commander Judi Samborski asked if there were any guest or new members in attendance. Jesus Torres introduced him self and said that he was transferring to Post 95.

Finance Report:

Post 95 Finance Officer Don Happy gave the Finance Report for February 2013.

Post 95 Finance Officer Don Happy talked about the CD with Bank Liberty which was due to mature on 29 March 2013. Post 95 Finance Officer Don Happy reported the CD totaled four thousand fifty eight dollars and twenty nine cents (\$4058.29). Post 95 Finance Officer Don Happy reported that current CD interest rate for 12 month CD was .5% and 18 month CD was .501%. Post 95 Finance Officer Don Happy reported that he will check with the Bank Manager and see if he can get a better interest rate for the Post. Ray Nichols made a motion that Don Happy, Judi Samborski, and LeRoy Coe take care of renewing the CD. Bob Beeks seconded the motion.

Jesus Torres asked if the Post had looked into other ways of investing the monies from the CD like mutual funds. There was some discussion from the floor on other ideas for investing the CD money. After some discussion most thought a CD was a better idea for the Post.



Post 95 Finance Officer Don Happy talked about some of the Post expenditures i.e., Hall and Kitchen rental for the Spaghetti Dinner, half of the cost for the Hall Kitchen license renewal, and Missouri Boys and Girls State – two boys and two girls from Liberty North High School and two Girls from Liberty High School.

Liberty Lions Club has sponsored one boy and one girl and Post 95 sponsored the other four.

Post 95 Commander Judi Samborski asked for a vote on the motion on letting Judi Samborski, Don Happy, and LeRoy Coe handle renewing the Bank Liberty CD. The motion passed.

New Members:

Post 95 Vice Commander LeRoy Coe reported paid up membership was at 261 with goal of 299. Post 95 Vice Commander LeRoy Coe reported that he had tried contacting all the unpaid members and was having no luck so he was giving up.

Honor Team:

Honor Team Commander Mike Edwards talked about setting up a training session and asked Don Happy to contact the National Guard and get them to help with the training session. Don Happy said that he would contact the National Guard and see if he could get dates and times setup for training session.

A member asked about uniform requirements for the honor team. The membership reported that a uniform guide was on the Post 95 web site.

Flag Etiquette: No Report

Oratorical Contest:

Post 95 Oratorical Contest Chairman Ron Pardeck reported on the Department Oratorical Contest and that the winner was from the County Oratorical Contest and that she would be advancing to the National Oratorical Contest. Post 95 Oratorical Contest Chairman Ron Pardeck said that there were articles about the contest winner in the Liberty Tribune, Kansas City Star, and Post 95 Newsletter.

BINGO at Cedars: Don Happy said that BINGO would be next Thursday at 18:30 HRS and all were welcome to help out.

Sickness and Distress:

Ray Nichols reported LeRoy Coe's wife was had back surgery. LeRoy Coe said that his wife was recovering very well and was walking now.

Paul Ellison reported Ted Nelson had surgery on the veins in his leg.

Bob Beek reported that his wife was doing well.

Correspondence:

Post 95 Commander Judi Samborski read a fifty year continuous membership certificate from National American Legion for Howard E Ferril.

Post 95 Commander Judi Samborski announced an accelerated Legion Institute Extension course would be held April 20th in Blue Springs at the American Legion Post.

Post 95 Commander Judi Samborski read an announcement for the annual All Vets Picnic in Blue Springs to be held on June 15th.



Some discussion was held on Avenue of Flags and collecting orders and monies on Memorial Day display. There was also discussion on raising the price for sponsoring a flag and putting the money into a fund for maintenance of the flags.

Post 95 Finance Officer Don Happy talked about the cost of putting a flag set together and the cost was lower than the price to sponsor a flag so there was no need at this time to increase the price of flag sponsorship.

Old Business:

Spaghetti Dinner:

Larry Allen passed around a sign up sheet for the Spaghetti Dinner on March 23rd.

Larry Allen reported that Don Happy had the raffle prizes and Bob Beeks had the door prizes. Larry Allen said that they would start cooking Saturday morning at 09:30 HRS and hall setup at 13:00 and Norma would decorate the hall.

Larry Allen talked about extra cost of hall/kitchen rental \$175 and kitchen license renewal \$100 and that the Post would not have to pay the 10% to the VFW.

New Business:

Post 95 Editor Larry Allen talked about changing postal regulations and how the newsletter would be mailed in an envelope now. Post 95 Editor Larry Allen reported that Don Happy had got Tension Envelope to donate a years worth of envelopes to the Post. Post 95 Editor Larry Allen reported that he had purchased years worth of newsletter printing. Post 95 Finance Officer Don Happy reported that postage cost had gone up about \$4.00. Post 95 Finance Officer Don Happy reported that he had sent Bill Bentley of Tension Envelope a "Thank You" note for the donation of envelopes.

Someone asked how much it was to sponsor an ad in the Post newsletter. Post 95 Finance Officer Don Happy reported that it was \$20.00 a year.

Post 95 Commander Judi Samborski reported that the next 3rd District meeting would be April 7th in Bethany with dinner starting at noon and the 3rd District Meeting starting at 13:00 HRS.

LeRoy Coe made a motion that Post 95 sponsor Freedom of the Road Riders Annual Bike Show for \$50.00. Ray Nichols seconded the motion and the motion passed.

Post 95 Chaplain Paul Ellison gave the closing prayer.

Post 95 Commander Judi Samborski led Post in salute to colors.

Post 95 Commander Judi Samborski closed the meeting in due form at 19:54 HRS

Submitted _____ Approved _____
Robert C. Emery – Adjutant Judi Samborski - Commander