



## **Robert H. Baker American Legion Post 95 Meeting Minutes of July 18, 2017**

With twenty five (25) members and one (1) guest in attendance

Jake Samborski, Judi Samborski, Jerry Pate, Vernon Mattocks, Donald Happy, Sam Leonard, Tim Jefferson, LeRoe Coe, Mike Edwards, Ray Crestwell, Jim Elliott, Don Mott, Frank Henderson, Robert Beatty, Larry Allen, Wally Glasco, Jim Roberts, Ray Nichols, Gentry Thomason, Jerry Head, Ted Nelson, Ray Adkins, Jim Weber, Tom Troutman, and Robert Emery

Guest: R. E. Holtz 3<sup>rd</sup> District Commander

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

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

Post 95 Chaplain Robert Beatty 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 Post 95 Adjutant Robert Emery to read the minutes from the last Post 95 meeting. Jake Samborski made a motion to forgo the reading of the minutes and proceed with business. Larry Allen seconded the motion and the motion passed.

Post 95 Commander Judi Samborski asked if there were any guests or new members present. R. E. Holtz 3<sup>rd</sup> District Commander was present.

Post 95 Commander Judi Samborski turned the gavel over to R. E. Holtz 3<sup>rd</sup> District Commander so he could install Post 95 officers for 2017 – 2018 membership year.

The following were installed as Post 95 Officers for 2017 – 2018

Commander Robert Beatty

Vice Commander Jim Elliott

Vice Commander Jim Roberts

Finance Officer Donald Happy

Adjutant Robert C Emery

Sgt-at-Arms Jake Samborski

Chaplain G. Ray Nichols

R. E. Holtz 3<sup>rd</sup> District Commander handed the gavel over to newly installed Post 95 Commander Robert Beatty.

Post 95 Commander Robert Beatty asked for committee reports

Committee Reports:

Finance Report:

Post 95 Finance Officer Donald Happy read the finance report for June:

Beginning Balance   \$ 5765.06

Deposits               \$ 6847.73

Withdrawals:         \$ 5621.04

Ending Balance:     \$ 6991.75



Post 95 Finance Officer Donald Happy reported he had cashed in the CD at First Federal and deposited the funds into the Post Checking account.

Post 95 Finance Officer Donald Happy reported he had taken out a new CD at Bank Midwest in the amount of five thousand thirty four dollars and fourteen cents (\$5034.14) for a term of fifteen (15) month CD with an interest rate of one (1%) percent.

Post 95 Commander Robert Beatty said that he would entertain a motion to accept the finance report as given. Larry Allen made a motion to accept the finance report as given. Ray Crestwell seconded the motion and the motion passed.

New Members:

Post 95 Vice Commander Jim Roberts reported none were present

Membership

Post 95 Adjutant Robert Emery reported the new membership year had just begun.

Honor Guard: NO REPORT

Flag Etiquette: NO REPORT

Oratorical Contest: NO REPORT

Missouri Cadet Patrol: NO REPORT

Missouri Boys State: NO REPORT

Missouri Girls State: NO REPORT

BINGO at Cedars:

Donald Happy reported that BINGO at Cedars will be this Thursday July 27<sup>th</sup> at 18:30 HRS and thanked those who came out to help.

Sickness and Distress:

Jerry Pate talked about Ira Hunter needing help with back property taxes and was in danger of being evicted from his home. Jerry Pate made a motion to pay five hundred eighty one dollars and eleven cents (\$581.11) in order to get Ira Hunter removed from the eviction list. Judi Samborski made a motion to pay five hundred eighty one dollars and eleven cents (\$581.11) towards Ira Hunters tax bill. G. Ray Nichols seconded the motion. Discussion Robert Beatty said that left a balance of fourteen hundred thirteen dollars and ninety nine cents (\$1413.99) of unpaid taxes. The motion passed.

Jerry Pate offered a motion to pay the balance of the unpaid property taxes. Jim Weber commander of VFW said that that amount of money would need to be approved by the VFW membership. Don Happy suggested that the post should pay the five hundred eighty one dollars and eleven cents (\$581.11) in order to get removed from the eviction list and give the Posts to get caught up. Jerry Pate made a motion to table the motion. Ray Crestwell seconded the motion and the motion passed.

Ted Nelson asked if anyone could maintenance work on Ira's house. Robert Beatty reported that Post 61 Legion Riders were ready to do work on Ira's house once projects were specified.

G. Ray Nichols and Robert Beatty would talk with Ira Hunter to see how he would feel about getting some help around his property.

Gentry Thomason talked about Paul Ellison not being able to attend meeting and suggested that the Post could see what it could do to help them.



G. Ray Nichols reported that Bill Beret had passed away and that he had helped out lots of Vets over the years.

He also reported that Ira Hunter was doing well and was being treated for stage 3 lung cancer.

He reported that Les Vanbibber had Alzheimer's. Judi Samborski reported that Ed Schmidt had passed away and his funeral will be Thursday July 20<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 HRS in Hamilton. Judi Samborski talked about R.E. Holtz had requested that the 3<sup>rd</sup> District flag be posted at the funeral.

Jerry Head talked about proposed Heliport to be built near his house and he asked everyone to attend the planning meeting at the county court house on August 1<sup>st</sup> at 18:30 and help voice their concerns then.

G. Ray Nichols reported Ted Nelson's wife was back in the hospital.

Old business:

Department Convention:

Judi Samborski talked about low attendance

Hats and pins:

Robert Beatty reported six hundred fifty nine (\$659) dollars in sales and donations during the July 1<sup>st</sup> setup.

Jim Elliott reported that the next Hat and Pins setup would be at Sam's Club August 5<sup>th</sup>.

Jim Elliott passed around sign up sheet for the event.

Correspondence:

Post 95 Commander Robert Beatty read Certificate of Appreciation from Missouri Girls State for the donation to the program the Post had made.

Post 95 Commander Robert Beatty read flyer for Wreaths across America program.

Post 95 Finance Officer Donald Happy reported that the donation check from last year was still unaccounted for. It was decided to wait a while before making another donation to the program.

New Business:

Officer Bonding:

Post 95 Finance Officer Donald Happy reported that it was time to renew the Post Officer Bonding.

Post 95 Finance Officer Donald Happy suggested an increasing the bonding to seventy thousand (\$70,000) dollar level at a cost of seven hundred (\$700) dollars.

Post 95 Finance Officer Donald Happy offered a motion to obtain officer bonding for Commander and Finance Officer at the seventy thousand (\$70,000) dollar level at a cost of seven hundred (\$700) dollars. G. Ray Nichols seconded the motion and the motion passed.

Good of the Order:

G. Ray Nichols asked everyone to get out and vote on August 8<sup>th</sup> and to be sure to research the proposed tax increases.

Jim Weber talked about Eagle Scout Project that identified veterans graves and installed flag holders next to their graves.



Don Happy talked about upcoming 40et8 Voiture 1379 ChicNic to be held August 19<sup>th</sup> at Wallace State Park and that it was to help raise fund for Nurses Training.

G. Ray Nichols made a motion to donate one hundred (\$100) dollars towards the Nurses Training scholarship program.

Gun Raffle:

Jake Samborski urged everyone to get out and sell raffle tickets,

Jim Elliott suggested another fundraising idea of a metal silhouette of a kneeling solgure and that it would cost two hundred (\$200) dollars.

Post 95 Chaplain G. Ray Nichols gave the closing prayer.

Post 95 Commander Robert Beatty led Post in salute to colors.

Post 95 Commander Robert Beatty closed the meeting in due form at 19:56 HRS

Submitted \_\_\_\_\_ Approved \_\_\_\_\_  
Robert C. Emery – Adjutant Robert Beatty - Commander