



Robert H. Baker American Legion Post 95 Meeting Minutes of June 20, 2006

28 Members and 1 guest in attendance.

Alan Shannon, Foster Sires, Bud McGinnis, Charles Kraft, Lester Brown, Paul Payne, Jin Rieck, Ira Hunter, Don Happy, Mac Williams, Donna Warren, Robert Emery, Ray Nichols, Bobby Beeks, Ray Adkins, Larry Allen, Paul Reichmann, Ray Merrill, Sam Leonard, John Kopp, Harold Kopp, Chad Evans, Gary Evans, Carl Mathiasch JR., Paul Vescovo, Mike Edwards, Gene Welch, Ray Barrett, and Guest Richard Wearing.

Finance Officer Ray Nichols opened the meeting in due form at 18:58 HRS

Ray Nichols led the Post in the Pledge of Allegiance and the Preamble. Chaplin Donna Warren gave the opening prayer.

Finance Officer Ray Nichols introduced Clay County Sheriff Paul Vescovo and new members Gary and Chad Evans.

Alan Shannon introduced Richard Wearing – Clay County Citizens against Annexation. Mr. Wearing talked about the proposed annexation and why he was against it.

Finance Officer Ray Nichols introduced new member Carl Mathiasch

Adjutant Robert Emery read the minutes from the May meeting. The minutes were approved as read.

Finance Officer Ray Nichols read the finance report. The finance report was approved as read. A copy of the finance report is included with the minutes.

Ray Nichols reminded everyone about Thursday night BINGO at Cedars of Liberty.

Ray Nichols asked everyone to have a moment of silence in honor of Post 95 member Zula Smith who had recently passed away.

Sick Call:

Ray Nichols reported that Ted Nelson was doing well, Johnny Vronz will be measured for his prostheses soon and is still home bound, if you can please visit him. John Gibbs is home from the hospital and his health is improving. Alan Shannon reported that Gary Davis is recovering from an operation on his foot and bone infection but was doing well.

Ray Nichols talked about June 24th Liberty Fireworks at Hallmark and putting up the flags in the morning.

Ray said that Liberty wanted the flags put up at 08:00 HRS. Ray Nichols said that anyone wanting to help put up flags meet at Hallmark at 08:30 HRS. Ray talked about needing volunteers for the Color Guard and Rifle team before the fireworks and that he had asked the VFW if they wanted to help but has not received a response from them yet. Mike Edwards passed around a sign up sheet for the Color Guard and Rifle Team at the fireworks as well. Those helping with the Color Guard and Rifle Team are to meet at the Post at 19:00 HRS.

Ray Nichols talked about BINGO at Cedars on Thursday and Larry Allen said that he would bring the snacks. Ray talked about if you have not been to Thursday Night BINGO you should come out and see it for yourself. You will have a good time.

Foster Sires made a motion to give Don Happy and Mike Edwards \$50 each for the gas they used driving to funerals. Ray Adkins seconded the motion and the motion passed. Foster Sires talked about the school board meeting and inviting the school board members to the Boys and Girls State Report Meeting to be held at Cedars of Liberty on July 18th. Ray Nichols talked about how when he joined the American Legion the Post was doing good to come up with money for one boy and that this year Liberty was sending ten boys and seven girls.

Robert Emery reported on the POW/MIA Highway and the 3rd District Meeting held in Liberty.

Ira Hunter talked about the new podium the VFW had bought for \$600 and that the VFW had asked if the



Post wanted to share in the cost. Foster Sires made a motion to pay the VFW \$300 for the podium. Bobby Beeks seconded the motion and the motion passed.

Election of Officers:

Ray Nichols talked about the good job Commander Ellison has done for the Post over the past five years and that the Post needed to find someone to take the position. Don Happy chairman of the nominating committee said that a few names had been talked about. Mike Edwards – Mike declined and Larry Allen who also declined. John Kopp said that he would give the job a try. Ray Nichols said that he would have lots of help from the Post. John Kopp was elected commander. Robert Emery made a motion to accept the officers list as it currently is with the exception that John Kopp will be added as the Commander. Larry Allen seconded the motion and the motion passed.

Ray Nichols talked about Saturday morning breakfast and invited everyone who could come out and visit and have a good time.

Ray Nichols thanked everyone for attending

Finance Officer Ray Nichols closed the meeting in due form at 20:05 HRS

Submitted _____
Robert C. Emery – Adjutant

Approved _____
Paul Ellison - Commander