



## **Robert H. Baker American Legion Post 95 Meeting Minutes of May 17, 2011**

Twenty Three (23) members in attendance Jerry Head, Robert Emery, Ray Adkins, John Gibbs, Rev. Donna Warren, LeRoy Coe, Ron Laughman, Don Happy, Lester Brown, Ron Pardeck, Bud Kraft, Ira Hunter, Judi Sambroski, Ray Nichols, John Kopp, John-Paul Kopp, Jim Rieck, Marvin Scott, Bob Beeks, Mike Edwards, Sam Leonard, Charles Acock, and Larry Allen.

Post 95 Commander Jerry Head opened the meeting at 19:02 HRS

John Kopp gave the opening prayer.

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

Auxiliary Unit 95 President Anne Reno thanked the Post for their support for Missouri Girls State and the other projects the Auxiliary does.

Auxiliary Unit 95 President Anne Reno talked about the Auxiliary needing members and was in danger of turning in its charter, Auxiliary Unit 95 President Anne Reno asked everyone to help find members for the Auxiliary.

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. John Kopp seconded the motion and the motion passed.

Finance Report: Post 95 Finance Officer Don Happy gave the Finance Report for May.

Sickness and Distress: No Report

Membership:

Post 95 Adjutant Robert Emery reported that current paid up membership was at two hundred sixty five (265) and our membership goal was two hundred seventy three (273).

Honor Guard: Honor: Honor Team Commander Mike Edwards reported that the team had been busy. Honor Team Commander Mike Edwards thanked those that had helped with Foster Sires funeral.

Post 95 Commander Jerry Head thanked those that had helped clean the rifles.

Flag Etiquette: No Report

Oratorical Contest: Post 95: No Report

Boys State: Post 95: No Report

BINGO at Cedars: Don Happy reported that BINGO would be held next Thursday.

Correspondence:

Post 95 Commander Jerry Head read some of the correspondence the Post had received.

1. Veterans Writing Project request for donations.
2. All Vets Picnic announcements June 11<sup>th</sup> in Blue Springs.
3. All Veterans Work Day June 25<sup>th</sup> looking for volunteers to help raise and level veteran headstones.
4. Letter from Liberty City Council member talking about how much he liked the Avenue of Flags and if the Post needed some one to play taps he would be honored to do so.\



#### Old Business:

Post 95 Commander Jerry Head talked about getting authorization for a donation of one hundred dollars towards Foster Sires charities and needed to know which one/ones the Post wanted to donate it towards. John Gibbs made a motion to donate one hundred (\$100) dollars to the Foster Sires Scholarship Fund. Mike Edwards seconded the motion. After some discussion the motion passed.

#### Memorial Day:

##### Avenue of Flags:

Don Happy reported that William Bland had called and said that the Boy Scouts would be helping out again this year.

Post 95 Commander Jerry Head asked when the Post wanted to put out and take up the flags that weekend. Don Happy said that the Post put the flags out at 06:00 HRS and picked them up at 20:00 HRS.

##### Nursing Home Visits:

Post 95 Commander Jerry Head reported that he had request from five (5) homes so far but had only been able to schedule three (3) so far.

10:00 HRS Liberty Terrace

11:30 HRS Aston Court

17:30 HRS Cedars

That left our Lady of Mercy and Cedars as unscheduled so far.

Ray Nichols made a motion that the Post buy lunch for those who help with the nursing home visits.

Larry Allen seconded the motion and the motion passed.

##### Summer Post Family Dinner:

Larry Allen asked about the Post Family Dinner in June.

Post 95 Commander Jerry Head reported that the cook at the club room would be cooking the meat and everyone would bring a passing dish.

Larry Allen made a motion to donate one hundred (\$100) dollars each to Don happy and Mike Edwards for gas money for driving the Honor Team to the funerals. Bob Beeks seconded the motion and the motion passed.

Ray Nichols talked about needing to replace cleaning supplies for the Honor Team rifles. Ray Nichols made a motion to allocate one hundred (\$100) dollars towards rifle cleaning supplies. John-Paul Kopp said that he had some cleaning supplies he would donate to the Post. Larry Allen seconded the motion and the motion passed.

Ray Nichols announced that the Annual Clay County Veterans Memorial Building Association meeting would be held June 7<sup>th</sup> at 19:00 HRS at the Post and those who could to please attend.

Post 95 Commander Jerry Head asked 3<sup>rd</sup> District Commander John Kopp to speak.

3<sup>rd</sup> District Commander John Kopp reported that the next 3<sup>rd</sup> District Meeting would be June 12<sup>th</sup> in Smithville with dinner at NOON and the meeting starting at 13:00 HRS.

3<sup>rd</sup> District Commander John Kopp talked about the Department of Missouri Convention in July in Jefferson City.

3<sup>rd</sup> District Missouri Boys State Chairman John Kopp talked about the 3<sup>rd</sup> District sending sixty one applications into Missouri Boys State. There had been sixty (60) paid applications and one (1) alternate sent in.



3<sup>rd</sup> District Commander John Kopp asked if the Post had thought about sponsoring a Boy Scout Troop and that would allow the Post to nominate a scout for Eagle Scout of the Year and the troop could get American Legion Boy Scout patches.

Post 95 Adjutant Robert asked about forming a nominations committee since the Post had to hold elections in June.

Post 95 Commander Jerry Head asked if anyone would volunteer to be on the nomination committee.

Ray Nichols, Larry Allen, and Mike Edwards said that they would be on the nominations committee.

Post 95 Chaplain Donna Warren gave the closing prayer

Post 95 Commander Jerry Head thanked everyone for attending tonight's meeting.

Post 95 Commander Jerry Head closed the meeting in due form at 19:40 HRS

Submitted \_\_\_\_\_  
Robert C. Emery – Adjutant

Approved \_\_\_\_\_  
Jerry Head - Commander