

## Robert H. Baker American Legion Post 95 Meeting Minutes of August 21, 2012

Twenty five (25) members and two (2) guest in attendance:

Ted Nelson, Jerry Pate, Larry Allen, Wallis Glaco, Ray Crestwell, Jim Rieck, Jake Samborski,

Judi Samborski, Ron Pardeck, Gentry Thomason, Paul Ellison, Robert Emery, LeRoy Coe,

Donald Happy, Melvin Johnston, Ray Merrell, Lester Brown, Ray Nichols, Ray Adkins, Charles

Acock, Tom Troutman, Jerry Head, Sam Leonard, Ron McBee, and Donna Warren.

Guest: Calvin Bumgarner 3<sup>rd</sup> District Commander and John F. Kopp 3<sup>rd</sup> District Chaplin.

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

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 meeting. Jerry Pate made a motion to forgo reading of the minutes and proceed with business. Don Happy seconded the motion and the motion passed.

Post 95 Commander Judi Samborski turned the meeting over to 3<sup>rd</sup> District Commander Calvin Bumgarner so he could install the Post 95 Officers for 2012 – 2013.

Post 95 Commander Judi Samborski thanked 3<sup>rd</sup> District Commander Calvin Bumgarner for installing the Post 95 Officers.

Guest and New Members:

Post 95 Commander Judi Samborski asked if there were any guest or new members in attendance. Paul Ellison introduced new member Thomas Troutman to the Post.

Thomas Troutman talked a little about his service and life.

Finance Report:

Post 95 Finance Officer Don Happy gave the Finance Report for August 2012.

Post 95 Finance Officer Don Happy reported a beginning balance of three thousand two hundred seventy dollars and ninety six cents (\$3270.96) and the ending balance of three thousand three hundred fifty dollars and forty two cents (\$3355.42). Post 95 Finance Officer Don Happy reported purchasing business checks for the Post in the amount of eighty eight dollars and seven cents (\$88.07). A copy of the finance report is included with these minutes. Membership:

Post 95 Vice-Commander LeRoy Coe reported on some of the new members signed up so far for 2013.

Post 95 Adjutant Robert Emery reported his paid up membership count was one hundred sixty six (166) for 2013. Post 95 Adjutant Robert Emery reported that the Post 95 membership goal for 2013 was two hundred ninety nine members (299).

3<sup>rd</sup> District Commander Calvin Bumgarner talked about this year's membership program is to sign up members for the whole American Legion Family. 3<sup>rd</sup> District Commander Calvin Bumgarner talked about wanting to get the Post Auxiliary Unit going again.



Larry Allen talked about wanting to get Ray Thompson signed up as a member of Post 95. Larry Allen made a motion for Post 95 to pay Ray Thompsons first year's dues. Jerry Pate seconded the motion.

Post 95 Adjutant Robert Emery talked about the Department of Missouri program that will run from September first  $(1^{st})$  to October fifteenth  $(15^{th})$  which will discount five dollars (\$5.00) for each new member signed up during that time period.

Larry Allen revised his motion to hold on to Ray Thompson's application and submit it during the membership discount time. Jerry Pate seconded the revised motion and the motion passed.

Honor Team: No Report

Flag Etiquette: No Report

Oratorical Contest: No Report

Missouri Boys State: Post 95 Commander Judi Samborski read a thank you letter from Parker Summers thanking the Post for sponsoring his trip to Missouri Boys State.

BINGO at Cedars: Don Happy said that BINGO would be this Thursday August 23<sup>rd</sup>. Don Happy had a request from CEDARS to move BINGO for September to another night. Don Happy reported that BINGO for September would be moved to the third Thursday September 20<sup>th</sup>.

Post 95 Commander Judi Samborski showed the Certificate of Merit presented to the Post 95 Honor Team for presenting Military Funeral Honors. Don Happy reported that the Post 95 Honor Team had performed at fifty nine funerals from June 2012 to May 2013.

Don Happy reported the passing of Post 95 member Lloyd Waterfield and that funeral arrangements were not complete at this time but the family will request Post 95 perform Military Funeral honors. Ray Nichols asked if the Post would be hosting Missouri Girls/Boys State reports at the September Post meeting. Post 95 Commander Judi Samborski said that she would like for that to happen. Ray Nichols said that he would make sure the boys showed up.

3<sup>rd</sup> District Commander Calvin Bumgarner reported that a girl from Liberty High School attended Girls Nation and had been sponsored by the Excelsior Springs Post.

Sickness and Distress:

Larry reported on Ray Thompson. Larry Allen reported that the Thompson's were most grateful for all the help from the Post.

Ron Pardeck reported that his grandson was in hospice care.

John Gibbs reported that his nephew had passed away from cancer.

LeRoy Coe reported that his sister in-law had passed away.

Old Business: None

Correspondence:

Post 95 Commander Judi Samborski read "Thanks You" notes from the Thompsons.

Post 95 Commander Judi Samborski read "Thanks You" from Kindlewood Hospice thanking the Post for its donation of three hundred dollars (\$300.00) to Honor Flight. LeRoy Coe reported that he had also donated three hundred dollars (\$300.00) to Honor Flight.

Post 95 Commander Judi Samborski read various correspondences – T-Shirt offer, Department of Missouri Commander Homecoming, Legion statement of nonpartisanship.

Post 95 Commander Judi Samborski thanked Jerry Head for making copies of the constitution and by-laws of the Clay County Veterans Memorial Building Association.



Post 95 Commander Judi Samborski talked about the recent special meeting of the Clay County Veterans Memorial Building Association. Post 95 Commander Judi Samborski reported that discussion included replacing air conditioner and making the bathrooms ADA compliant. Post 95 Commander Judi Samborski reported that Clay County Veterans Memorial Building Association would take the monies from its fifteen thousand dollar (\$15,000.00) CD and renovates the two restrooms in the hall and places a ramp from the club room into the hall. Post 95 Commander Judi Samborski reported that the Clay County Veterans Memorial Building Association was getting three (3) bids for the renovation work.

Post 95 Commander Judi Samborski talked about an email she had received asking about American Legion Baseball. Ray Nichols talked about if they had sponsorship and just wanted to use the Post 95 for support that would be OK but if they need financial support the Post would not be able to do that. Post 95 Commander Judi Samborski said that she would call the man and set up a meeting to find out what he wanted the Post to do. John Kopp said that the Post should include the Department of Missouri Base Ball Commission in the talks.

New Business:

Post Officer Bonding: Post 95 Finance Officer Don Happy talked about receiving notice that it was time to renew the Post officer bonding for another year. Post 95 Finance Officer Don Happy reported that bonding the Post Finance Office and Post Commander at the fifteen thousand dollar (\$15,000.00) each level would cost one hundred fifty dollars (\$150.00). Wally Glasco made a motion to obtain Post officer bonding for one hundred fifty dollars (\$150.00). Ray Nichols seconded the motion and the motion passed.

SAL Squadron: Vice Commander Jerry pate talked about VFW Men's Auxiliary wanting to become a SAL Squadron and asked the Post for permission to do so.

Jerry Pate made a motion to allow the forming of a SAL Squadron. Larry Allen seconded the motion. John Kopp talked about some of the requirements for forming a SAL Squadron and that the Post would need to provide the squadron an advisor.

Post 95 Adjutant Robert Emery would request a packet for the forming of a SAL Squadron. Chili Supper: Don Happy talked about needing to set a date for the Annual Chili Supper. Honor Team Training: Larry Allen talked about two new members needing training to become part of the Post Honor Team. Larry Allen said that he would contact Honor Team Commender Mike

of the Post Honor Team. Larry Allen said that he would contact Honor Team Commander Mike Edwards and tries and set a date for training.

Commander Judi Samborski reported that Post 95 would be hosting the 3<sup>rd</sup> District Meeting January 13<sup>th</sup> 2013. 3<sup>rd</sup> District Commander Calvin Bumgarner reported that the next 3<sup>rd</sup> District meeting would be held September 9<sup>th</sup> in Braymer and that that is when the 3<sup>rd</sup> District would hold its Post everlasting ceremony.

Larry Allen reported the open dates for the hall and after some discussion November 3<sup>rd</sup> was selected for the Annual Chili Supper.

LeRoy Coe talked about meeting a lady who was making Para-cord bracelets for ten dollars (\$10) and that anyone interested to contact him.



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 19:59 HRS

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

Approved \_\_\_\_\_\_ Judi Samborski - Commander