



Robert H. Baker American Legion Post 95 Meeting Minutes of May 19, 2015

With twenty three (23) members in attendance

Jake Samborski, Judi Samborski, LeRoy Coe, Gentry Thomason, Larry Allen, Vernon Mattock, Gene Welch, Stephanie Ebner, G. Ray Nichols, Jerry Head, Paul Ellison, Robert Beatty, Sam Leonard, Ray Crestwell, Wally Glasco, Jim Weber, Ted Nelson, Ray Adkins, Jerry Pate, Mike Edwards, Bob Beeks, Ray Merrell, and Robert Emery.

Post 95 Commander Judi Samborski proceeded to open the meeting at 18:58 HRS

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

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

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

New Members and/or Guest:

Post 95 Commander Judi Samborski asked if there were any new members or guest present. None were found to be present.

Post 95 Commander Judi Samborski asked Post 95 Adjutant Robert Emery to read the minutes from the last meeting. Stephanie Ebner made a motion to forgo the reading of the minutes and proceed with Post business. Ray Crestwell seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Finance Report:

Paul Ellison read the Finance report provided by Post 95 Finance Officer Don Happy.

Beginning Balance: \$ 46120.64

Deposits: \$ 672.27

Withdrawals: \$ 512.13

Ending Balance: \$ 46,280.13

Paul Ellison said if there were any questions they could ask Post 95 Finance Officer Don Happy at the next meeting.

A copy of the finance report is included with these minutes.

New Members:

Post 95 Vice-Commander LeRoy Coe reported that none were present.

Membership:

Post 95 Adjutant Robert Emery reported Post 95 was currently at two hundred seventy one (271) members paid up for 2015 with the 2015 membership goal of three hundred seventeen (317).

Honor Team:

Post 95 Honor Team Commander Mike Edward reported that he had received a letter from the Missouri National Guard regarding a flag folding meeting to be held in Excelsior Springs on May 28th at 19:00 HRS.

Flag Etiquette: NO Report

Oratorical Contest: No Report

Missouri Boys State/Missouri Girls State/Missouri Cadet Patrol: No Report



BINGO at Cedars:

It was reported that BINGO at Cedars would be Thursday May 28th starting at 18:30 HRS and all were welcome to come out and help.

Sickness and Distress:

G. Ray Nichols reported that John Gibbs was not doing well and may be transferred to the VA Hospital for kidney dialysis.

G. Ray Nichols said that he would be limited availability due to helping his brother in law who is fighting lung cancer.

G. Ray Nichols talked about Lester Brown having good days and bad days. G. Ray Nichols asked if those who could stop in and visit with Lester. G. Ray Nichols reported that Lester Brown would turn one hundred (100) years old on September 20th.

Bob Beeks reported that his wife was not doing well.

Jerry Pate reported that Don Happy was home recovering from his cataract surgery.

LeRoy Coe reported that his wife was home from the hospital and had doctors' appointments later in the week.

Post 95 Commander Judi Samborski presented Ray Adkins a birthday card from Post 95 for his 80th Birthday.

G. Ray Nichols asked every one to be sure and signs the "Get Well" card for John Gibbs.

Post 95 Commander Judi Samborski presented Post 95 Adjutant Robert Emery an American Legion denim jacket from Post 95 as a "Thank You" for all of his work for the Post.

Old Business:

Post 95 Commander Judi Samborski asked if the committee that was set up to decide what to do with the proceeds from the sale of the Clay County Veterans Memorial Building had made a decision yet. The members of the committee that were present responded that the committee was waiting until Don Happy was fully recovered from his surgery before making a decision on this matter.

Post 95 Commander Judi Samborski asked if Jerry Head had an estimated on the required repairs on the Post 95 trailer. Jerry Head said that he did not have an estimate yet but would have one after the Memorial Day weekend.

Post 95 Commander Judi Samborski asked if Jim Elliott had any more days set up for hat and pin sales. Jerry Pate said that Jim Elliott had arranged to set up at Sam's Club on the first Saturday of every month from 10:00 till 14:00 HRS and would be needing help.

New Business:

Memorial Day – Avenue of Flags:

Post 95 Commander Judi Samborski said that the Post would be putting the flags up at 06:00 HRS and taking them down at 20:00 HRS all three days depending on the weather.

G. Ray Nichols asked LeRoe Coe if the city was putting the stakes in. LeRoe Coe said that they were.

LeRoe Coe asked what the Post would do if the flags got wet.



G. Ray Nichols suggested that the city leave the steaks up until a sunny day so the flags could be setup to dry.

Post 95 Commander Judi Samborski asked if Gene Welch would play TAPS every evening after the flags were retired. Gene Welch said that he would.

Jerry Head said that he would not be available to pull the trailer on Saturday evening.

Post 95 Commander Judi Samborski asked Jerry Head if he had scheduled the Nursing Home Programs yet. Jerry Head said that he needed to know which day the Post wanted to do the programs.

All said that Memorial Day should be the day to schedule the programs.

Jerry Head said that he would get the times scheduled and the Post notified.

3rd District Meeting:

Post 95 Commander Judi Samborski reported that Post 95 would be hosting the 3rd District Meeting on June 7th with meal at NOON and 3rd District Meeting beginning at 13:00HRS. Post 95 Commander Judi Samborski said that she would like to see a big turnout of Post 95 members. Post 95 Commander Judi Samborski reminded everyone to bring a small passing dish. Post 95 Commander Judi Samborski said that this meeting would be election of 3rd District Officers. Post 95 Commander Judi Samborski said that she would get with Don Happy and Don would get things ordered from HY-VEE. Post 95 Commander Judi Samborski said that setup would be at 10:00 HRS

G. Ray Nichols mad a motion to authorize Don Happy up to one hundred fifty (\$150) dollars for the things for the 3rd District Meeting. Jerry Pate seconded the motion and the motion passed.

Citizenship Awards:

Post 95 Commander Judi Samborski reported that due to the weather the school had move the date of the presentation to this Wednesday and that there would be three (3) presentations. 07:50, 08:50, and 09:40 at Heartland Middle School.

Post Elections:

Post 95 Commander Judi Samborski said that the Post elections would be moved to the June meeting.

Correspondence: NONE

Department of Missouri Convention:

Post 95 Commander Judi Samborski reported that Jake Samborski, Judi Samborski, Stephanie Ebner, And Robert Emery would be attending.

G. Ray Nichols made a motion to give Jake and Judi Samborski one hundred fifty (\$150) dollars, and Stephanie Ebner and Robert Emery each fifty (\$50) dollars to help with cost of attending Department of Missouri Convention. Ray Crestwell seconded the motion and the motion passed.

Jake Samborski reported that the flag case for the Post colors was worn out. Robert Emery said that he would purchase on for the Post.

Honor Team Commander Mike Edwards reported that the Honor Teams magnetic signs were looking pretty bad and would like to purchase two (2) new sets.

Mike Edwards made a motion that the Post purchase two (2) new sets of Honor Team magnetic signs. Robert Betty seconded the motion and the motion passed.



Larry Allen said that he had received compliments about the performance the Honor Team had done at a recent funeral.

Honor Team Commander Mike Edwards talked about how good the Honor Team had performed at the funeral on Friday and received compliments there as well.

G. Ray Nichols asked if the VFW would be doing their program on Memorial Day.

Jim Weber said that the VFW would be holding their program at 11:00 HRS on Memorial Day at the flag pole in the cemetery.

Post 95 Chaplain G. Ray Nichols 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 19:36 HRS

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