

**Robert H. Baker American Legion Post 95
Meeting Minutes of May 15, 2018**

With nineteen (19) members in attendance

Robert Beatty, Jim Roberts, G. Ray Nichols, Jerry Pate, Jake Samborski, Judi Samborski, Ted Nelson, Jim Elliott, Donald Happy, Wally Glasco, Ray Creswell, Larry Allen, Mike Edwards, Sam Leonard, Ron Pardeck, Tim Jefferson, Jerry Head, Jim Weber, and Danny Burnett.

Post 95 Commander Robert Beatty proceeded to open the meeting at 19:02 HRS.

Post 95 Commander Robert Beatty led the Post in salute of colors.

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

Post 95 Commander Robert Beatty led the Post in the Pledge of Allegiance and reading of the Preamble.

Post 95 Commander Robert Beatty asked for the reading of minutes from the last meeting. G. Ray Nichols made a motion to forgo the reading of the minutes in absence of Post 95 Adjutant Robert Emery and proceed with business. Jerry Pate seconded the motion and the motion passed.

Note: Judi Samborski acting Adjutant for Post Meeting of May 15, 2018.

Guests/New Members: None to be found present.

Committee Reports:

Finance Report:

Post 95 Finance Officer Donald Happy read the finance report for April.

Ending balance: \$3,579.02

Jerry Pate made a motion to accept the finance report as given. Ray Creswell seconded the motion and the motion passed.

New Members: Jim Elliott reported no new members present.

Membership: No report.

Honor Guard: Chairman Mike Edwards reminded everyone of funeral on Saturday, May 19, at Grace Church starting at noon. The Post has been invited to the dinner at the church.

Chairman Mike Edwards also reminded everyone about the Color Guard performing at the KC Auto Auctions May 23 (Wednesday), at 9 am. They had requested the Color Guard, Rifle Team, and TAPS. There was discussion about the need for the Rifle Team and TAPS. It was decided just to have the Color Guard. G. Ray Nichols will check with the manager of the facility.

Chairman Mike Edwards mentioned the Color Guard at the 5th Annual Military Appreciation Event, Saturday, June 9, 2018, at Sam's Club, Kansas City, Missouri. Color Guard should arrive at 7:30 am.

Flag Etiquette: Chairman Mike Edwards said he had a request from Paul Ellison to do a class at the facility that he and Pat are now residing on June 14. Time and place to be announced.

Oratorical Contest: No report.

Missouri Boys/Girls State and Cadet Patrol: No report.

BINGO at Cedars:

Don Happy reported that it will be Thursday, May 24 at 6:30 pm.

Sickness and Distress:

Post 95 Commander Robert Beatty asked if there were any members or family members in sickness and distress.

G. Ray Nichols reported Bob Beeks' wife is not doing will. Still has hospice care.

G. Ray Nichols reported about one of the victims of the shooting in Liberty was a friend. Suspect in shooting still on the loose.

It was reported that Post 95 Adjutant Robert Emery is in Centrepoint Hospital, Room 524, with leg problems. Hope to be released on May 16. Wishes for speeding recovery.

Robert Beatty reported that his wife has been diagnosed with Brain Tumor. They are still waiting for the Neurosurgeon.

Jerry Head reported that his wife had broken her leg in 3 places.

Requests on health status of LeRoy Coe. Several people reported he is not doing well.

Old Business:

G. Ray Nichols asked who will be attending the Department Convention July 12 – 15, 2018, in Springfield, MO. It was reported that Robert Emery, Jim Elliott, Jake and Judi Samborski would be attending as Delegates. Don Happy said that it will cost the Post \$5 for each person. Robert Emery can fill out the paperwork needed. G. Ray Nichols made a motion to give each person \$100 for expenses. Jerry Pate seconded the motion and the motion passed.

Don Happy talked about the Avenue of Flags for Memorial Weekend at the Fairview/New Hope cemetery. Flag will be put up at 6 am and taken down at 8 pm, on Saturday, Sunday, and Monday, May 26 - 28. He ordered new flags. They would be flags for Past Post Commanders.

As soon as the flags and name plates arrive, they will be put together. Boy Scout Troop 374 will be helping again this year. Jerry Pate asked about doing the Program at the Liberty Nursing homes on Monday. Jerry Head said he would get it set up.

Jim Weber spoke about the VFW performing a ceremony at the Fairview/New Hope cemetery at noon Monday, May 28. American Legion Post 95 was invited to attend.

Don Happy reported that a member of Boy Scout Troop 374 is a Senior this year. He had achieved his Eagle Scout. This will be his last time helping the Post with the flags. He is going into the Army.

Caps and Pins Sales:

Jim Elliott reported earnings of approximately \$500 from sale at Sam's Club, May 5. Next Caps and Pins sales will be June 2nd, at the Price Chopper in Kearney from 10:30am – 4 pm. Jim Elliott will be out of town that day and will need someone to get it set up.

Jim Elliott talked about the Post setting up a booth for Caps and Pins for the Liberty Fall Festival, September 28 & 29. He said he would need a lot of help manning the booth. He has a sign-up sheet. Discussion on cost of booth and other details. Jim Elliott said he would check on the details. He also said that if there was no help, he wouldn't do it.

Report of a show called Comedy Vets in Cameron at the old school. It will be May 25 (Friday) at 7 pm. Veterans and Active Duty get in for free.

Correspondence:

Robert Beatty read a letter from Gloria Hendren thanking Post 95 for the \$100 donation to William Jewell Veteran program.

New Business:

Larry Allen talked about an Iraq Veteran going on the Honor Flight, Sunday, May 20. This Veteran has terminal cancer. This flight was just for him. This Honor Flight will be arriving at 12:55 pm at KCI, Southwest Airlines, Flight #2483, Gate G, Terminal B. He encouraged everyone who could be there when he arrived back at KCI.

Jerry Head mentioned that the funeral home where this Saturday's funeral will be held, charged the family \$100 for our services. He told them that our Post does it for free. Jerry Head said he would pay the \$100 back.

Post Elections:

Jerry Pate spoke about the upcoming Post elections June 19. The Election Committee is Jerry Pate and Larry Allen. Jerry and Larry took names for the elected offices. Nominees at this time as follows:

Commander – Jim Elliott and Robert Beatty

1st Vice Commander – Judi Samborski

2nd Vice Commander – Jim Roberts. He said he'd would but he'd be gone a lot.

Finance Officer – Don Happy

Sergeant-At-Arms – Jake Samborski

Chaplain – G. Ray Nichols

Adjutant – Robert Emery

Historian – Judi Samborski

Jerry Pate said that if anyone else is interested in any of these positions, let Larry or himself know. Final nominations will be at the June meeting.

Larry Allen is looking for someone to take over the Newsletter. No takers at this time.

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

Post 95 Commander Robert Beatty led the Post in the salute of the colors.

Post 95 Commander Robert Beatty closed the meeting in due form 20:10 HRS.

50/50 Drawing: \$22/\$11 split. Don Happy won and donated his back to the Post.

Submitted _____
Judith Samborski – Acting Adjutant

Approved _____
Robert Beatty - Commander