

# Robert H. Baker American Legion Post 95 Meeting Minutes of April 18, 2023

With twenty one (21) members and one (1) guest present Don Happy, Julie Barron Happy, Mike Edwards, Larry Allen, Tina Petterson, John Wingate, Paul Ellison, Ray Creswell, Jerry Pate, Bud Taylor, Ron McBee, Jeff Watt, James Hare, Frank Henderson, Tim Jefferson, Larry Wahl and Robert Emery. Guest:

Post 95 Commander Tina Petterson proceeded to open the meeting at 18:58 HRS

Post 95 Commander Tina Petterson led the Post in salute to the colors.

Jerry Pate gave the opening prayer.

Post 95 Commander Tina Petterson led the post in the Pledge of Allegiance and reading the Preamble.

Post 95 Commander Tina Petterson asked for reading the minutes from the last Post 95 meeting.

Jerry Pate made a motion to forgo reading of the minutes Ray Crestwell seconded the motion and the motion passed.

**Guest:** Larry Wall and Veronica ???? Introduced themselves to the Post and talked about their service.

# **Finance Report:**

Post 95 Commander Tina Peterson asked for the finance report from Post Finance Officer Don Happy.

### March

Beginning Balance \$ 9887.04 Deposits: \$ 2883.25 Withdrawals: \$ 4783.06 Service Charge \$ 3.00 Ending Balance: \$ 7984.73

Post Finance Officer Don Happy reported two (2) checks written and cashed Thirty five hundred (\$3500) dollars to Missouri Girls State

Four thousand (\$4000) dollars to Missouri Boys State

Post Finance Officer Don Happy reported on the spaghetti dinner fund raiser Meal.

Proceeds: \$ 1680.00 Cost: \$ 500.00 Surplus: \$ 1139.27

Raffle

Proceeds: \$ 607.00 Costs: \$ 225.00 Surplus: \$ 382.00

Total fundraiser surplus: \$1561.21



Larry Allen made a motion to accept the finance report as given. Ray Crestwell seconded the motion and the motion passed.

#### **MEMBERSHIP:**

Post 95 Adjutant Robert Emery reported the paid up membership was one hundred sixty five (165) members so far with a 2023 membership goal of one hundred ninety one (191).

#### **Honor Guard:**

Post 95 honors Team Commander reported the team has been very busy with funerals. Post 95 honors Team Commander reported he had received a request from the city of Liberty requesting flag disposal ceremony at the Liberty Fall Festival.

# Flag Etiquette:

Mike Edwards reported he had not yet received any requests yet for presentations.

# **Boys and Girls State:**

Don Happy reported he had eight MSB applicants and seven MGS applications. Don Happy reported the sponsorship checks had been cashed and donations were still

**Sickness and Distress: NO REPORT** 

#### **Old Business:**

coming in.

### **Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser:**

Post 95 Commander Tina Petterson thanked every one who helped with the dinner and clean up.

### **Correspondence:**

Post 95 Commander Tina Petterson read the following:

Thank You from the national fire safety council

Read a donation request from the Cameron Veterans Assistance League asking for sponsorship donations for their annual golf tournament on June 10<sup>th</sup> in Cameron MO. Jerry Pate made a motion to donate one hundred (\$100) dollars for hole sponsorship at the golf tournament for Wallace Glasco honor. Ray Crestwell seconded the motion and the motion passed.

### **New Business:**

### **Avenue of Flags:**

Don Happy talked about receiving fourteen (14) flag orders for the Avenue of Flags Don Happy said he would start ordering flags, conduit for the new flag orders.

Don Happy said he was trying to find someone to engrave the name plates for the flags since the old supplier had increased costs.

Julie Barron Happy suggested Don Happy contact tow of the Post Newsletter sponsors that are Jewelers and ask them about engraving the name plates.

Don Happy reported that the total number of flags is up to three hundred eighty four (384).

Mike Edwards reported the bugle needed to be replaced since it fell apart at the last funeral.

Mike Edwards mad a motion to have the bugle replaced. Ray Crestwell seconded the motion.



After much discussion on costs of repairs Tim Jefferson said that he may be able to resolder the bugle. The motion was tabled until Tim Jefferson reports on repairing the bugle

# **50/50 Drawing:**

Post 95 Vice Commander James Hare held the 50/50 drawing with twenty one (\$21) dollars collected and split would be ten (\$10) to the Post and eleven (\$11) dollar to the winner. Robert Emery won the drawing and donated his winnings back to the Post. Post 95 Commander Tina Petterson asked Jeff Watt about the status of the cemetery flag poles and lights. Jeff Watt reported that it was a next year project and the city had replaced the service flags aleady and the Post would donate a replacement US Flag this Memorial Day.

Jerry Pate gave the closing Prayer.

Post 95 Commander Tina Petterson led Post in salute to colors.

Post 95 Commander Tina Petterson closed the meeting in due form at 19:26 HRS

Submitted	Approved
Robert C. Emery – Adjutant	Tina Peterson - Commander