



Robert H. Baker American Legion Post 95 Meeting Minutes of May 21, 2024

With twelve (12) members and two (2) guest present

Don Happy, Julie Barron Happy, G. Ray Nichols, Jeff Watt, Tina Petterson, Paul Ellison, Chris Vedder, Bud Taylor, Mike Edwards, Tim Jefferson, William Schweitzer, and Robert Emery.

GUEST:

Ed Weaverling – 3rd District Commander, Gordon Williem – Cole Camp

Post 95 Commander Tina Petterson proceeded to open the meeting at 19:00 HRS

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

Post 95 Chaplin G. Ray Nichols 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.

Jeff Watt made a motion to forgo reading of the minutes, Tim Jefferson seconded the motion and the motion passed.

Guests or New Members: Post 95 Commander Tina Petterson asked if here were any new members present.

Chris Vedder introduced his father William Schweitzer to the Post

3rd District Commander Ed Weaverling introduced him self to the Post.

Finance Report:

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

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| Beginning Balance | \$ 10,875.09 |
| Deposits: | \$ 750.00 |
| Withdrawals: | \$ 7030.63 |
| Service Charge | \$ 3.00 |
| Ending Balance: | \$ 5,591.45 |

Post 95 Finance Officer Don Happy wrote the following checks:

Missouri Boys State - \$3500.00 7 Boys

Missouri Girls State - \$2500.00 5 Girls

Post 95 Finance Officer Don Happy reported writing another check to Missouri Boys State to cover two (2) additional students to Missouri Boys State. This brings the total number of students sponsored to fourteen (14) - seven (7) MBS and five (5) MGS

G. Ray Nichols made a motion to accept finance report as given. Paul Ellison seconded the motion and the motion passed.

**MEMBERSHIP:**

Post 95 Adjutant Robert Emery reported renewals for 2024 membership year was currently at one hundred seventy five (175) renewals so far with our membership goal set at one hundred seventy (170) for 2024 membership year.

Post 95 Adjutant Robert Emery turned in five (5) renewals to place the Post at one hundred (100%) percent 2024 membership goal.

Honor Guard:

Post 95 Honor Team Commander Mike Edwards reported that there is a funeral scheduled for Thursday.

Flag Etiquette:

Post 95 Flag Etiquette Chairman Mike Edwards reported none were scheduled so far.

What is a Veteran:

Mike Edwards reported every thing went well, the kids asked good questions.

Mike Edwards said he would have liked more veterans.

Oratorical: NO REPORT**Boys and Girls State:**

Robert Emery reported the Post had sponsored fourteen (14) students

Missouri Cadet Patrol:

Robert Emery reported that this years session would be held with nineteen (19) students signed up.

Sickness and Distress:

Post 95 Commander Tina Petterson asked if there were and members of family members in sickness or distress.

G. Ray Nichols reported on Robert Beatty, and Ray Crestwell.

Old Business:

Avenue of Flags will be displayed Memorial Day Weekend and Boy Scout Troop 376 will be helping.

Don Happy said that he would be picking the trailer up on Thursday.

The Flags would be put out starting at 06:00 HRS and retrieved at 19:00 HRS followed by the playing of TAPS by Tim Jefferson.

Don Happy said he would be updating flags as he has some extra time.

Don Happy said that he cannot ride in the back of his truck to hand out flags.

Jeff Watt reported a ceremony would be held Monday at NOON by the flag poles.\New

Flag Pole:

Jeff Watt reported the boring for the lighting had been completed and every thing was waiting for EVERGY to complete the electrical connection.

Julie Barron Happy reported her mother was in the hospital

Julie Barron Happy reported tomorrow is Don Happy birthday

Mike Edwards was working on a flag disposal event at his house some time in September.



New Business:

Post Elections:

Post 95 Adjutant Robert Emery reported it was time to hold Post 95 Officer elections. After some discussion the current Post Offices reported that they would continue to hold their current offices.

Post 95 Adjutant Robert Emery reported the Post still needed an additional vice-commander to fill the position vacated.

Chris Vedder asked what was involved in the position.

Chris Vedder agreed to fill the position.

Post Newsletter:

Chris Vedder said that he was interested in looking in to it.

3rd District Commander Ed Weaverling presented a hat pin to Chris Vedder for completing the American Legion Basic Training program.

3rd District Commander Ed Weaverling talked about various American Legion Programs and awards available.

Post 95 Chaplin G. Ray Nichols 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 19:54 HRS

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