

## MINUTES OF AMERICAN LEGION MEETING - 8 JANUARY 2013

Meeting called to order at 1905 hours by the Commander. 15 members and 2 guests present.

Pledge of allegiance, prayer and preamble.

Roll call - all present or accounted for. Chaplain and Adjutant were excused.

No minutes from the previous meeting due the absence of the Adjutant.

**Veterans Post Trustee meeting:** Both the Legion and the VFW will contribute \$1500.00 to the Veterans Post account so we can continue to have sufficient monies to pay out obligations. Current balance before the deposit is \$1806.56. Rental income since last report is \$1250.00 and petty cash is \$349.00.

**Post 473 finance report:** Checking is \$6338.68. Investment income if \$1515.00 due on 15 January. \$1500.00 will be transferred to the Veterans Post account. Report was approved as read.

Two guests were introduced. Joyce Hannum, 14 District Commander and Jim Campbell, candidate for 2nd Vice Commander at the State level. Jim gave a short presentation on his platform and his opinion as to the future of the American Legion. His comments were very well received. Commander Hannum attended the meeting to conduct a Post inspection and to present some achievement awards.

### Committee Reports.

**First Vice -** presented an update on the establishment of a new web site. Progress has been made and two proposals should be available by next meeting.

**Service Officer -** Reported we participated in 10 Honor Guards since last meeting. Anyone receiving a Government check must make arrangements to have it electronically deposited before 1 March 2013. Paper checks will cease to be issued.

**Unfinished Business:** A search for a facility to have Bingo games continues. The AHEPA Hall is too small and parking is inadequate. We may be able to use the facility at St Demitirus and we will have that information by the next meeting.

**Correspondence:** Our Fisher House membership has expired. It was Motioned by Rick Misanko that we donated \$50.00 to Fisher House, seconded by Dick Bowersox. Motion passed.

**New Business:** A new member application was received for Dennis Keeling. His 214 was in order and he was recommended for membership by Rudie Pozonitz, seconded by Dick Bowersox. Motion passed.

It was motioned by Bob Panovich that we spend approximately \$465.00 per weapon to have the Honor Guard rifles refurbished and to use the Honor Guard account to pay for the work. It was discussed that we send not more than two rifles out and assess the work, before making a decision on the remaining weapons. Seconded by Gene Smith. Motion passed.

**For the Good of the Legion:** Commander Hannum presented several awards to the Post for achievement in membership and participation in youth activities. A new streamer was also presented for the Post Flag.

Meeting was adjourned at 1950 hours, closing prayer and retirement of the Flag.