

- I. Called to Order by Commander Ray Gerkitz at 1900 Hours. Standard Opening procedures.
Guest: Soon to be new member Bill Donovan acknowledged, to applause.
- II. Roll Call: All present except: Judge Advocate Navarro, on call as needed; Trustee Jeff DeLaGarza; Gaming Chair John Taylor, sick. 27 present = Quorum.
- III. Committee Reports
 - A. Ron Slafer: Bingo: Motion to accept by Phil Sterba; 2nd, Bob Cokley. Passed (P)
Unanimously (U)
 - B. Ron Slafer: Gaming: Motion to accept by Tom Przybyla; 2nd, Tony Roudebush. Passed (U)
 - C. Jeff Roche: Bar Report:.. Motion/accept Sterba; 2nd Terry Willet. (P) (U)
 - D. Dave Kennedy: Service Officer:.. Motion/accept Elloit Hogge; 2nd Bill Veith. Passed
Unanimously
 - E. Point-of-Order: Review Minutes: Motion/waive reading Willet; 2nd, Nanouski. (P) (U)
- IV. Old Business
 - A. Election Results: Adjutant, for Committee: Last Saturday we had fifty (50) members vote for the contested offices. Contest for the Commander position was voided; challenging candidate did not renew his dues, therefore not a member and may not participate. Will call for a vote of Acclamation for Tom Przybyla at the Regular Meeting. Member-at-Large winner was Bob Cokley; thanks, given to Bob Hinkelman for giving the post a choice. 3-Year Trustee winner was Mark Kolotka; thanks, given to Tony Roudebush for giving the post a choice. Motion/accept by Phil Sterba; 2nd, Terry Willet. Passed (U)
- V. New Business
 - A. Letter of Resignation from Tom Przybyla as Trustee accepted by Executive (E-Bd) Board, effective around July 14th, 2019. Adjutant casts one vote of Acclamation for Tom Przybyla to be Commander for 2019-2021; 2nd, Bob Olson. Passed (U)
 - B. Discussion on procedure to replace vacant 2-year Trustee position, within the standards of our C/By-Laws, in consultation with the Judge Advocate and Department of Illinois. In case we can proceed through the guidance of our Executive Board, we open the nominations for the Two-year Trustee. Tony Roudebush , candidate. Motion to accept by Tom Przybyla; 2nd, Phil Sterba. (P) (U). No other candidates. Nominations will be open until June Meeting.

- C. Correspondence
 1. T.Y. from Marquette student Andie San Gabriel, to support her study-abroad program.
 2. T.Y. from Bill Modesitt family, with \$200 donation, for Honor Guard services.
 3. T.Y. from Army National History Museum for our \$100 donation.
 4. Donation Request (D.R.): Ottawa Youth baseball is returning to the American Legion baseball program. Their coach is our member, Steve Moreno. The Department of Illinois

Youth Baseball program requests \$100 from each post to support this program. So moved by Bob Olson; 2nd, Terry Willet. Passed (U)

- D. Adjutant: Two new members: Bill Donovan, Army, Gulf and Philip Larson, Army, Gulf. Motion to accept by Jerry Sexton; 2nd, Tony Roudebush. Passed (U)
- E. Convention
 - 1. Schueler: Request to provide \$500 to 12th District to support the Hospitality Room at the Dept. of Illinois Convention in July. So moved, Przybyla; 2nd, Roudebush. (P) (U)
 - 2. Stash: Legion Riders need help manning the booth Friday of Convention. Riders will share the Hospitality Room of 1st Division, also. Two Legacy Bike Runs scheduled, north and south. Non-riders can support with a \$25 donation.
 - 3. Delegates: Gerkitz; Stash; Nanouski; Przybyla; Cupples; Duback. Alternates: Roudebush; Willet. 4 Alt/Delegates open: motion/accept Sterba; 2nd, Olson. (P) (U)
- F. History Committee, Chuck Stanley: 1. He explained the committee's plans to prepare for the post's 100th Anniversary in the fall and outlined plans to recognize the post's veteran legacy stories and memorabilia. Some local veterans of note will include MG Schinz; the Graham brothers; WW I DSC recipient Blankenship; WW I Ace Maj. Reed Landis; WW II Marine Pete Thompson, Corregidor, POW; WW II Steve Olle, KIA, D-Day; other POW's. Nanouski noted that these display needs must be coordinated through the Trustees, and SrVice Commander. Discussion included, not re-cluttering the main hallway. Chuck noted the need for working capital for the committee, especially framing costs. Motion of \$500 to support the committee by Willet; 2nd, Cokley. Passed (P) Unanimously (U) 2. Discussed disposition of the 1903 Co. C National Poster: Perhaps donate to State Museum, but keep for display for our 100th. Chuck and Dave Mumper to network with the State. 3. Removal of the display case: Chuck believes the Norsk Museum in Norway, IL will take it; will arrange.
- G. Commander donated an American Legion 100th Anniversary flag to Post 33, and recently, the Airborne statue in the main hallway.
- H. Joe Tokarz thanked Post 33 for our donations to the Submarine Memorial. 28 submarines went down the Illinois to help the war effort. 75th Anniversary of WW II D-Day is June 6th; the 75th Anniversary of the capture of the U-505 is June 4th, displayed at Science and Industry Museum. TALARC Field Day exercise is June 22nd.

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- I. Special Olympics will be held at Illinois State University this weekend. They need volunteer help for Friday and Saturday; it's a heart-warming day for the kids. Both the Commander and Ed Stash have helped for years; please come support it!
- J. Friday, June 14th is the Annual LaSalle County Cruiser's Classic Car Show. Help needed on the front porch to cook, etc. Post 33 Riders will be assisting.

- K. June 14th, Flag Day: We (Color Guard Team) assist the B.P.O. Elks Lodge 588 with their ceremony in Washington Square, which begins at 10:00 AM.
- L. Bob Cokley: Would someone PLEASE take over the duties for updating the outside message board? New Member Bill Donovan volunteered. Thanks!!!, sez Bob!
- M. Bob Cupples: We also very much need new volunteers for Saturday night Bingo. Getting more short-handed by the week; bare minimum now. Help!
- VI. SGT-at-Arms, Cupples: Departed members/veterans: 1. William Modesitt 2. Charles Hettel 3. Wayne Spohr 4. Sheldon Cox. Prayers by Chaplain Cupples.
- VII. Standard Closing Procedures. Prayers by Chaplain Cupples.
- VIII. Adjournment at 1941 Hours.

Drawings #434 Vic Hackler Sr.

 #290 Eugene Lee, absent