

Minutes Regular Meeting Ottawa American Legion Post 33 Monday, May 7, 2018

- I. Call to Order by SrVice Roger Schueler at 1905 hours. Standard Opening Procedures.
- II. Roll Call: All present, except: JrVice Ron Staple, excused, working; Judge Advocate Joe Navarro; Gaming Chair JohnTaylor. 25 present = Quorum achieved. CMDR Gerkitz @1921hrs
- III. Prepared Minutes; motion to waive reading by Dave Kennedy; 2nd, Jerry Wold. Passed (U)
- IV. Committee Reports
 - A. Service officer Kennedy: One veteran assisted @ \$50.00.
 - B. Finance Officer Ron Slafer: Motion to accept report by Ken Donnelly; 2nd, Tom Przybyla. Passed (P) Unanimously (U)
 - C. Jeff Roche: Bar: Motion to accept by Phil Sterba; 2nd Przybyla. P, U.
 - D. Ron Slafer: Gaming: Motion/accept by Bob Olson; 2nd, Bob Cokley. P,U
- V. Correspondence
 - A. Thank You (T.Y.) received from Maureen Cherry family, for our support, at her passing.
 - B. T.Y. from Dave Olle family, for Honor Guard services.
 - C. T.Y. from Y.M.C.A, for our donation of \$300, And SAL's donation of \$200, toward summer scholarships for their Youth Camp.
 - D. Oglesby Summerfest Parade on Sunday, June 17th-noon step-off.
 - E. Bar Trustees have switched to Orkin, for pest control services.
 - F. E-Board approved a request to be the area host for Hines Director Dr. Steven Braverman to meet with local veterans on Thursday night, August 16th, at 1800 hours.
 - G. Auxiliary is again hosting the Poppy Days, May 24 & 25th. Sign-Up Sheets in bar area. Post gets half of what it collects, so please help collect donations.
 - H. We annually present watches to local graduates who have enlisted in the military. This year there are 18; watches again ordered through Van Duzer's Jewelry. Motion to approve by Donnelly; 2nd, Sterba. Passed (U)
 - I. Ottawa Memorial Association will have a meeting here on Tuesay, May 8th, to coordinate things for Memorial Day. Jim Nanouski: Help is still needed; please assist.
 - J. Donation Request (D.R.) from 12th District, that we support the Hospitality Room at Convention in Springfield. E-Brd approved \$300. So moved, Kennedy; 2nd, Donnelly. P,U
 - K. Commander Gerkitz is in at 1921 hours. The Starved Rock Marathon committee again request the use of our porch and restrooms for Saturday, May 12th; E-Brd approved.
 - L. Post: New bunting, for east porch railings, purchased and ironed by the Eick's. Need more, to complete the project. Motion to approve by Cokley; 2nd, Jerry Sexton. P,U
 - M. Gavel passed to Commander Gerkitz at 1924 hours. 100th Anniversary Challenge Coin & (Number "33") and Certificate has been received and will be displayed appropriately.

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- N. Membership Report, Adjutant Duback: One new member: Mark Armstrong, Marine Corps, Vietnam. Motion to accept by Cokley; 2nd, Donnelly. Passed (U)
- O. Building Committee is to paint the west porch soon. Post will close on a Monday to help accomplish this.

- P. Commander is forming a committee to help prepare a twelve month activities calendar, assisted by a twelve month budget.
- Q. Member Chuck Stanley entered at 1928 hours. Jim Nanouski had questions about the fireplace area repairs, and Men's Bathroom. Works in progress. Bathroom underflooring has rotted. May need to provide a Port-A-Potty during reconstruction. Upstairs, next.
- R. E-Board gave approval for Trustees to determine a fix for the draught beer lines: May need new insulation (a \$2,000+ fix), or looking at new main floor coolers, or chiller lines.
- S. E-Board approved to pay for seven rooms for the Delegates to the Department of Illinois Convention in Springfield this July. So moved by Duback; @2nd, Donnelly. Passed, (U)
- T. Duback: Reminder: The Vietnam Travelling Memorial Wall will be in Ottawa on June 7-11th, brought in by VFW Post 2470. Help needed for set-up, security, and tear-down. It will be located at the UAW Center at 1000 E. Center Street, South Ottawa. Please help! Also, Air Show in Peru on Saturday May 19th at 11 AM; free parking passes are here to use. 16 of the 20 Avenger Torpedo Bombers still left will be here! VAC will host a Memorial Dedication at the downtown Courthouse from 4 to 6 PM on Wed., May 23rd. The next Hines Medical Team visit is here on Wed., May 30th, 10 AM to 1 PM.
- U. Sunday, May 20th: Rider's group is here; please make them welcome.
- V. Special Olympics is in Bloomington, June 15-16. Help needed.
- W. 2nd Division American Legion meeting is on June 3rd in Lockport.
- X. Election Committee: Nomination proposals for 2018-2019 were presented and closed at this meeting. Unopposed offices were: JrVice Commander: Robert Hatala; 3-Year Trustee: Jeff Delagarza, and Member-at-Large: Bob Cokley. By a ballot of acclamation cast for the post by the Adjutant, 2nd, Ed Stash, they have been accepted. Two offices have multiple candidates; therefore, Elections will be held on Saturday, June 2, 2018 at Post 33, from 8:30 AM to 8:30 PM. The contested offices are: A. SrVice Commander: Candidates: Roger Schueler, incumbent, and Ron Staple. B. Finance Officer : Candidates Robert Hinkelman, and incumbent Ronald Slafer.
- Y. E-Board approved a donation of \$200 to the Starved Rock Civil War Round Table, proposed by Dave Kennedy, toward a Memorial Plaque at the location near Covell Creek on IL Route 71, where the 4th Illinois Cavalry encamped and trained in the Civil War. Motion to approve by Phil Sterba; 2nd, Tony Roudebush. Passed (U)
- VI. Standard Closing: Departed Members/Veterans: Robert Roth; Roland Sisk; Joe Herrera; Ray Wernstrum, and Roger Gebhardt. Prayers by Chaplain Cupples
- VII. Adjournment at 1952 Hours
Drawings: #113, Bob Cokley #087, George Conrad, Absent