

Minutes Regular Meeting Ottawa American Legion Post 33 Monday, August 01, 2022

- I. Called to Order by Commander (Cmdr) Tom Przybyla at 1900 Hours. Standard Opening Procedures.
- II. Roll Call: All present. Judge Advocate: vacant. 20 present/Quorum D.Modesitt@1916 Hours.
- III. Typed July Minutes presented. Two typos noted. Motion/Waive Reading by Bob Cupples; 2<sup>nd</sup>, Jerry Sexton. Passed (P) Unanimously (U)
- IV. ADJ: Two new members: 01. Paul Damnjanovic, USMC, Gulf/GWOT; transfer in from Roselle Post 1084. 02. Daniel Clements, Navy, Gulf. Pending paperwork completion. Motion to accept by Dave Kennedy; 2<sup>nd</sup>, Bob Cokley. Passed (U)
- V. Committee Reports
  - A. Finance Officer Ron Slafer: Slight loss: quarterly taxes; Fast Print bill; donations. Healthy balance. Building Fund: More out: utility bills, and Convention payments. Very good balance. Honor/Color Guard: Made money; good balance. All accounts balance stated. Motion to accept by Dennis Dougherty; 2<sup>nd</sup>, Cupples. Passed (U)
  - B. Bar Manager Jay Hamalle: Negative on the month, but a healthy balance. Motion to accept by Brent Schueler; 2<sup>nd</sup>, Cokley. Passed (U)
  - C. Service Officer Dave Kennedy: Income came from the Poppy monies and black box. Good balance stated. Motion to accept by Slafer; 2<sup>nd</sup> Cokley. Passed (U)
  - D. Gaming, Ray Gerkitz: Pull tabs flat, because of quarterly taxes paid out; good balance. Video: Healthy amount in; good balance. Motion/accept Ron Tardio; 2<sup>nd</sup> Cupples. (P, U)
- VI. Old Business
  - A. Executive Board (E-Bd) approved the bid from Callaway's for the new cameras. Brief discussion. Motion to approve by Ron Leiteritz; 2<sup>nd</sup>, Sexton. Passed (U)
  - B. Roof repairs have begun. North parking lot to be blocked for a while.
  - C. Harvey Clemens fixed the west porch railing.
- VII. New Business
  - A. Bob Olson: E-Bd reviewed: Nine new windows being ordered through Craig Moore's development; awaiting two more bids. Planned: Auxiliary/Bar/post to share costs.
- VIII. Correspondence
  - A. Sept. 24<sup>th</sup>: County Recycling Event. Register three weeks prior: [www.lasallecounty.org](http://www.lasallecounty.org) .
  - B. Membership report read for "Close of Books June 24<sup>th</sup>." Post 33 moved up to 7<sup>th</sup> (of 706 posts) on the list; 97.99% renewal rate = 535 will be our 100% goal for 2022-2023.
  - C. 28<sup>th</sup> Annual Food Service Seminar will take place at Senica's Oak Ridge on Mon., Sept. 12<sup>th</sup> (free, for county residents and businesses). RSVP by 09/06<sup>th</sup> at the Co. Health Dept.
  - D. Permit received from City of Ottawa for the 14<sup>th</sup> Annual 24-Hour Honor Guard Vigil, to be on Fri/Sat. Nov. 4 & 5<sup>th</sup>, 5 PM inclusive, plus opening ceremony, plus clean up.
  - E. Mort's Pub fundraiser Saturday Sept. 24<sup>th</sup>. We can sponsor a hole for \$50. So moved by Ron Leiteritz; 2<sup>nd</sup>, Bob Cokley. Passed (U)
  - F. Donation Request: Ottawa Youth Football. Motion \$100/Cupples; 2<sup>nd</sup> Leiteritz. (P, U)
  - G. Donation Request (D.R.): Ottawa Police Benevolent & Protective Association, to support their back-to-school program. Motion/\$100 by Leiteritz; 2<sup>nd</sup>, Tardio. Passed (U)
  - H. Donation Request (D.R.): Marquette Academy, for sports program. Motion was for \$150 (Adjutant addendum: adv. cost this year was \$160, same as last year; upgraded later by F.O. Slafer). So moved by Cokley; 2<sup>nd</sup>, Sexton. Passed (U) (OVER)

- I. Hank Walsh is hosting an E-Bd approved "Country Hoedown" fundraiser on September 17<sup>th</sup>, with the profits going to us at Post 33. \$15/ticket. DJ/Band/Magician/Fish Fry. It will be 3 to 10 PM at Hank's house; serving from 5 to 6 PM. BYOB and chairs. Grand Prize: Chicken Dinner for four at, and courtesy of, the Wedron Office (excludes drinks and appetizers.)
- J. E-Bd approved supporting Operation Firm Handshake in Coal City on Saturday September 10<sup>th</sup>. (Bring your own chairs.) Motion of \$100 by Ron Tardio; 2<sup>nd</sup>, Bob Cokley. Passed (U)
- IX. Chaplain Cupples: Service for departed members: 1. Richard Sherman 2. Ralph Schiffgens 3. Manuel Mata 4. Jeff Reimann. With Prayers.
- X. Acknowledged Historical Donation TO Post 33 received from member Kent Svendsen, from his service time at Guantanamo Bay, Cuba.
- XI. Standard Closing Procedures, with prayers. (P.C. Nanouski asked E-Bd members to stay around for one minute after the meeting.)
- XII. Adjournment at 1931 Hours.

Drawings        #080    Matt Weaver  
                     #198    Ron Hughes, absent

Executive Board at 1935 Hours:

P.C. Nanouski: Over the years we've worked hard to clarify, all funds are post funds. RE window issue: Not happy with each segment saying that, "we'll do four;" another, "we'll do three," etc. Adjutant's summary: The account areas are not personal fiefdoms, but are subordinate to the post, and Finance Officer's duties. Adjourn at 1936 Hours.