

Minutes Regular Meeting Ottawa American Legion Post 33 Monday, October 03, 2022

- I. Called to Order by Commander (Cmdr) Tom Przybyla at 1900 Hours. Standard Opening Procedures (Salute to Colors; Prayer; Preamble; ritual format.)
- II. Roll Call: All present except excused: F.O. Slafer, health; JrVice Leiteritz, work; Service Officer Kennedy; PC/Gaming, Gerkitz. Guest: Bar Manager Jay Hamalle. 17 present, = Quorum.
- III. Prepared Minutes distributed. Motion/Waive Reading, Ed Stash; 2nd, B. Cupples. Passed (U)
- IV. Adjutant: One new member, Transfer In (processed Sr.Vice Weaver:) 1. Leonard J. Brucki, Army; currently paid. Motion/Accept Bob Olson; 2nd, Jerry Sexton. Passed Unanimously (U)
- V. Committee Reports
 - A. Via Matt Weaver: Finance/Gaming Reports (all filed for annual audit):
 1. Service Officer: Ending balance included a small deposit.
 2. Pull Tabs: Paid out \$5k toward new roof; ending balance.
 3. Gaming account showed ending balance increase.
 4. Bingo: Ending balance lessened by \$5k toward roof, and other donations.
 5. Building Fund: greatly reduced by payments for new roof; ending balance stated.
 6. General Fund: lessened by Utility bill payments.
 7. Honor Guard: lessened by \$5k roof payment. "All balances" amount not available. Motion to accept by Bob Cupples; 2nd, Ken Troyan. Passed (U)
 - B. Bar Manager Jay Hamalle: Sept. Report: Good month. Lessened by \$5k toward roof. Ending balance stated. (Did not received August accounting.) Motion/Accept by Ed Stash; 2nd, Ken Troyan. Passed Unanimously.
- VI. New Business
 - A. SrVice: Issue brought up at E-Board, RE dogs in building. Due to health concerns and potential other issues, E-Board recommends posting: "Service Dogs Only" signage. So moved, Bob Olson; 2nd, Jerry Sexton. Passed Unanimously
 - B. Trustees: 1. To put up a plastic holder, so members can identify building problems to be fixed, with a tracking sheet for follow up. 2. Handrail loose on basement Dugout steps. Getting bids on a chair lift to facilitate guests going to basement.
 - C. SrVice: Ramps on east porch upgraded by Mike Hanley and his crew (Ed Martin III, Ed Martin IV, and Peaches). Metal donated by Cyclops Welding, LaSalle. Weaver will organize the painting. Adjutant/SrVice: Send "Thank You" certificates to those involved.
 - D. Joe Tokarz, President, Post 33 TALARC: Asked LaSalle Station for a donation of ten old computers, to be available to us for emergency preparedness. We, in turn, will help them with their Nuclear Exercise training positions in November.
- VII. Correspondence
 - A. Ottawa Memorial Association will have Veterans Day planning meeting 7pm Tues. 10/11 at Post 33.
 - B. 12th District meeting Sun. 10/09, 1 PM at Gardner, IL American Legion, and by Zoom.
 - C. City of Ottawa "Festival of Lights" parade info received. No Candy to be thrown!!!
 - D. Sunday Nov. 6th: Utica Veterans Parade: Noon opening, parade and flyovers at 1PM. Free food for veterans 0800-1200 at the downtown Community Center.
 - E. Membership renewals at 58%.
 - F. Thank You (T.Y.) card received from the Frank Musatto family, for Honor Guard services.
 - G. Hank Walsh's "Hoedown" fundraiser event netted \$2,311 to post.

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- H. "Gifts to the Yanks Who Gave (GTTYWG) needs a program donation to the Department of Illinois. Motion of \$500 by Bob Cokley; 2nd, Joe Tokarz. Passed (U)
- I. We have already donated two American flags to the OHS "Volley for Vets" program on Thursday, October 6th. E-Board also approved a \$100 donation. So moved by Jerry Sexton; 2nd, Ken Troyan. Passed Unanimously.
- VIII. Chaplain Cupples: Departed Members and veterans: 1. Joe Crowley 2. Ray Perez 3. Donald Armstrong 4. Thomas Hoffman 5. Ronald Burke 6. Ray Hepner 7. Harry Halliday. W/Prayers.
- IX. Standard Closing Ceremony (Closing Prayer, Salute to Colors)
- X. Adjournment 1925 Hours.

Drawings #600 Bob Olson
 #367 Tom Przybyla