

- I. Called to Order by SrVice Commander Roger Schueler at 1905 Hours. Standard Opening Procedures.
- II. Roll Call: All officers present except: Commander Gerkitz, exc.; JrVice Commander Robert Hatala; Trustee Bob Olson, exc.; Trustee Jeff DeLaGarza; Service Officer David Kennedy, exc.; Judge Advocate Joe Navarro; Bar Manager Jeff Roche. 26 present = Quorum.
- III. Minutes: Motion/waive reading by Ken Donnelly; 2nd Terry Willet. Passed Unanimously (U)
- IV. Committees
 - A. Finance Officer Ron Slafer: Bingo: Honor Guard: Motion/accept Tom Przybyla; 2nd, Wilma Derix, Pass/U
 - B. John Taylor: Bar Motion/accept Phil Sterba; 2nd Przybyla. Pass Motion to accept by Tony Roudebush; 2nd, Willet. Passed (=P) /(U)
- V. New Business and Correspondence
 - A. Ken Donnelly: Combined Legion/AMVET Color Guard Parade Community Service Hours report: Grand Ridge, 8/19: five people for 15 hours. Tonica, 8/25: 4, for 16 hours. Streator, 9/2: 4, at 10.5 hours. (Floor noted: Pretty slow marching times!)
 - B. Executive Board approved a request from Joe Tokarz and Matt Weaver to develop an American Legion Amateur Radio Club, according to the directives of the National American Legion. Joe Tokarz made known present committee work accomplishments. Terry Willet supported their progress, agreeing that this will be a good thing, especially in the memory of departed member Bob Allen. Motion/accept Willet; 2nd Sexton. P/U
 - C. Free medial bracelets are now available through the VA. Important to wear a medical ID for: Heart Conditions; Hypertension; Diabetes; PTSD; Dementia; Food/Drug allergies; Embedded Metal Fragments. 1. Visit www.MED-ID.com/VAForm to download your medical ID order form. 2. Discuss your medical condition with your VA clinician, educator, or other healthcare provider and determine what should be engraved on you ID. 3. Your clinician will submit your order.
 - D. Thank You (T.Y.) received from Scott Anderson, owner of CIMCO Recycling Ottawa, Inc. and a member of our Sons of the American Legion Squadron 33, for Adjutant Duback buying lunch at the Hi Way Restaurant on August 29th. Scott had offered to Commander Gerkitz to support the Legion; he presented us there with a check for \$500 toward the Veterans Day 24-Hour Vigil committee, for which we will thank him with a plaque.
 - E. Special offer for bar uniform-type shirts available. John Taylor will check it out.
 - F. T.Y. received from Marquette Academy student Alex Barker, with pictures, for Post 33 sponsoring him to Boys State last summer. He was elected to Color Guard Flag Team.
 - G. Donation Request (D.R.) from Labor of Love. Motion \$100 Willet; 2nd Sexton. Pass/U
 - H. D.R. from Four Chaplains Memorial. Motion \$100 Donnelly; 2nd Taylor. Passed (U)
 - I. Via Ed Stash, ALR Post 18 John Olson Brat Fest fundraiser notice, 9/22, 1-5 PM, Lockport.

- J. Ottawa Memorial Board Association Veterans Day planning meeting at the VFW on Tuesday, September 18th at 7:00 PM.
- K. The Starved Rock Civil War Round Table group cordially invites us to the dedication for the Camp Hunter Historical Marker. It will be on Sunday , September 9, 2018 at 1:00 PM at IL State Route 71 and Coval Creek. Parking limited. Bring own chair; rain or shine!
- L. Reminder from Bill Veith: Operation Firm Handshake, Coal City, Sat., 9/8. Free picnic for veterans. Bring copy of DD214 for chance on trip to Arlington. Motion to support this with a \$100 donation by Terry Willet; 2nd Bill Veith. Passed Unanimously. Commander will meet at Legion at 9:45 AM Saturday 9/8 & take members with him-FYI. Riders fundraiser: tenderloin sandwiches at post before Thursday 9/6's Queen of Hearts drawing, approx. 4-7 PM.
- M. 12th District American Legion Installation here Sunday, 9/9. 11:30 hot meal by Ladies Auxiliary @ \$15 each, followed by the Installation Meeting at 1:00 pm. Auxiliary breakfast available also, 9:00-11:30AM.
- N. E-Board approved the Trustees to call John's Sales and Service immediately to fix our sink problems, both upstairs and main floor.
- O. Membership: Adjutant Duback: Post 33: 353/615 = 57.4 % =7th/733; 12th District, 4th of 25; 2nd Division, 1st of 5. One new member: Meredith Mazza, Col. Retired, Army, Vietnam. Motion to accept by Tom Przybyla; 2nd, John Taylor. Passed Unanimously
- P. Back porch area repairs have been completed-very professional!
- VI. Departed members and veterans, Sgt/Arms Cupples: 1. George Brown 2. Francis Aubry 3. William Meyers 4. Sherman Hall 5. John Loeffler 6. Harvey Holcomb 7. Thomas McCague Sr. Prayers by Chaplain Cupples.
- VII. Standard Closing Procedures; prayers by Chaplain Cupples.
- VIII. Adjournment at 1935 Hours.

Drawings: #236-Ken Lane

#522-Max Stansberry, Absent24