



George F. Johnson, American Legion Post 1700
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Commander Robert F. Wood called the regular meeting of George F. Johnson, American Legion Post 1700 to order @ 1900hrs, Tuesday, May 7th. Colors being in place, all members rendered a "Hand Salute". Chaplain Barb Beebe gave the "Opening Prayer". All members recited "The Pledge of Allegiance", followed by the members whom recited "The Preamble of the American Legion".

Roll Call: Commander Bob Wood: Present, 1st Vice Commander Butch Nabinger: Present, 2nd Vice Commander Ron Reece: Present, 3rd Vice Commander Phil Dillenbeck: Absent, Chaplain Barb Beebe: Present, Historian Ray Beebe: Present, Treasurer Charlie Verno: Present, Sgt-at-Arms Gary King: Present and Service Officer Vic Hand: Absent.

Past Post Commanders present: Ray Nabinger 1982-1984, Barb Beebe 2006-2010, Joe Irons 2010-2012.

Past County commanders present: Ray Nabinger 1984-1985, Barb Beebe 2004-2005, and Ray Beebe 2008-2010.

6th District Commander present: Barb Beebe.

Vice District Commander present: Ray Nabinger.

Reading of the Minutes: Motioned by Ray Nabinger to accept the minutes, 2nd by Bob Hunt, all in favor, motion carried.

Membership/Treasurer's Report: Treasurer Charlie Verno reported Post paid membership for 2013 as of 4/30/13 is 387. We are 13 members short of 400 for 97%. The Post has a bank balance of \$1551.69; Good of the Legion balance is \$879.55.

Motioned by Joe Irons to accept the treasurer's report, 2nd by Ray Nabinger, all in favor, motion carried.

Ray Nabinger spoke on the planned increase of Department dues by \$8. Several Members expressed their strong opposition to a dues increase by Department. It was agreed that the issue will be brought up at the County Convention.

Back to God & Sick Call: Chaplain Barb Beebe expressed condolences to Ron Reece's family on the loss of his mother.

Committee Reports:

Americanism: Ray Beebe had nothing to report.

Baseball: Ray Beebe had nothing to report.

Historian: Ray Beebe had nothing to report.

Good Will Days: Barb Beebe had nothing to report.

POW/MIA: Barb Beebe had nothing to report.

Boys State: David Jensen reported that we recruited two students for Boys State (one for Legion, one for Sons). Boys State increased the cost per delegate to \$350. Joe Irons motioned that the increase in Boys State tuition be covered by the remaining funds in the Good of Legion, seconded by Debbie Roehm, motion carried.

Oratorical: Joe Irons had nothing to report.

Homeland Security: Joe Irons had nothing to report.

House/Kitchen: Debbie Roehm noted that several burners on the outside grill do not work. Cmdr Wood noted that we had a successful Post cleanup.

Scholarship: Debbie Roehm and Jim Davis reported that two students were chosen for the scholarship.

Junior Shooting: Rob Jensen was not present.

Service Officer: Vic Hand was not present.

Correspondence: David Jensen read the correspondence. There were several letters concerning honor guard events. Sue Holdredge from the VVA sent the Post information about applying for medals.

Old Business: Gary King noted that the Hell's Angels event was successful and that there were no problems for the Post.

New Business: Cmdr Wood reported that the Legion received \$617.95 from the pancake breakfast income. Debbie Roehm announced that there will be a planning meeting for the family picnic on June 18th at 6:00 PM.

For the Good of the Legion:

May 15th, Pig Roast Meeting 6:30PM

May 16th Veteran of Distinction at Br Co Office Bldg, 4:30 PM, candidate Frank George – WWII POW

May 18th, Armed Forces Recognition Day, SAL will be providing pizza and snacks during the day.

May 27th, Memorial Day Parade

County Meeting will be Monday, June 2nd, 2013 1:00 PM at Post 89, Vestal, County Convention

Flag Day Ceremony June 14th, 6:15PM, Officers in ceremony practice June 12, 6:30.

Joe Irons motioned to donate \$250 to the Boy Scouts for the movement of the Union Center WWII Memorial, seconded by Debbie Roehm, motion passed.

Ray Nabinger discussed Members who brought in outside beer against Post rules. Ray Nabinger and Gary King discussed other issues regarding the bar, bar staff and Post rules.

Ray Nabinger discussed his plan to have a pasta dinner the first Monday of the month to encourage Members to come to the Post on Monday nights.

Bob Hunt asked that Members express themselves at meetings without using profanity.

Joe Irons asked that he be recorded in opposition of not reading the names of past Commanders present at the beginning of meetings.

Butch Nabinger motioned that Joe Irons be given \$150 to defray the cost of attending the Department Convention, seconded by Gerry Robinson, motion carried (J. Irons abstained).

District Commander Barb Beebe lead the installation of new Post Officers.

Chaplain Barb Beebe gave the "Closing Prayer", Commander Wood gave his "Closing Remarks". Meeting adjourned by Commander Wood, at 2010 hrs.

For God and Country.

David Jensen