

AMERICAN LEGION
George F. Johnson Post 1700
305 Maple Street, W. Endicott, NY 13760

Membership Meeting – January 09,2024

The members were called to attention by Post Commander, Dave Williams, and the members saluted the Flag. Members uncovered as Doug Adams offered an opening prayer. The members remained uncovered and recited “The Pledge of Allegiance”. The members then recovered and recited “The Preamble of the American Legion”. The Commander gave three raps of the mallet and the members sat down. The meeting was opened.

ROLL CALL OF OFFICERS: (V= voting member)

Commander: Dave Williams (V) – present

1st Vice: Ron Reece (V) – present

2nd Vice & Sgt at Arms: (V) Robert Haynes – present

3rd Vice: Robert Kollar—absent

Treasurer, Judge Advocate:

Adjutant & Membership Officer: Gary King – present

Chaplin & Service Officer: Joseph Irons—absent

Post Historian: Gary Denmon (SAL) – excused

Post Members: Stacy Reece, Bradford Fish

Quorum is made: Yes

Past Post Commanders present:

Past Broome County Commanders present:

District Officers present:

Past Dept of New York Officers present:

Guest Speaker:

POST MEMBERSHIP: (Gary King)

- 175 renewed for 2024

FINANCE REPORTS: (

- Finance report and accepted. (Motion by Bob Haynes, 2nd, Ron Reece)

UPDATES OR CORRECTION TO PREVIOUS MINUTES:

- Accepted. (Motion – Bob Haynes, 2nd – Ron Reece)

COMMITTEES

BACK TO GOD:

- Jim Terwilliger deceased. Celebration of Life January 20 at Sons of Italy

AMERICANISM: (Joe Irons)

- No report

BELL JAR: (Bob Haynes)

- December – 9 games, \$7,125. BJ Balance\$26,261.

BOY'S STATE: (Joe Irons)

- Joe Irons is still working with Post 3290 (Maine) and M.E. school for candidates. Papers must be submitted by April.

SERVICE OFFICER: (Joseph Irons)

- No report.

CHILDREN & YOUTH: (Howard Dingman)

- No report

CONSTITUTION & BY-LAWS:

- Nominations for Post Officers will begin in March. Make us aware if you want to be a candidate.

FINANCE COMMITTEE: (Maggie Gagliardi, Bob Haynes, Gary Denmon, Dave Williams)

- No report

HOMELAND SECURITY: (Joe Irons)

- No report.

JR. SHOOTING: (Pete Matway)

- No report

LEGISLATIVE: (Dave Williams)

- Stacy Reece will represent the Post at an American Legion meeting in Albany on Jan 19-21

LAW & ORDER: (Robert Haynes)

- No report.

ORATORICAL: (Joe Irons)

- No report.

SCHOLARSHIP:

- There are 2 Bruce Beebe scholarships for \$250 each. Auxiliary supports one, Legion will support the other.

POW/MIA: (Joe Irons, Howard Dingman, Jackie Reece)

- Committee will be meeting in the spring.

SCOUTING: (Howard Dingman)

- No report

VETERAN MONUMENTS:

- No report.

WOMAN VETERANS: (Stacy Reece)

- No report

HOUSE: (Bob Haynes)

- Lighting has been repaired with new light sensors and ground fault arrangement.

SOCIAL ACTIVITIES:

- Dinners and events are posted on bi-monthly newsletter calendars.
- Corn Hole event has been scheduled.

OLD BUSINESS:

- Three estimates for a new roof range from \$40,000 to \$44,000. Dave Williams has submitted for a grant from Tioga Downs.
- We are working for a grant for the parking lot resurfacing estimated at \$20,000 plus. Zuke's Excavating will provide an estimate after Christmas.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Our December Finance Report has been approved as the 2024 approved expenses. List attached.
- Bob Hayes reports research Fiber Optics for TV and internet is on hold
- The Thresher submarine was lost 60 years ago on April 10, 1963. Crew included a local resident, Greg Fusco. Plans are being made to have a memorial service at our Post on April 06.
- Planning for a chicken BBQ on April 27.

CORRESPONDENCE:

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The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, February 13, 2024 at 7:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Gary King, Adjutant

BELL JAR OPERATING EXPENSES

Spectrum
NYSEG
Loan payment for pre-approved purchases
Rent
Accounting Services
CINTAS (*Cleaning supplies*)
R&M Small Engine Repair (*Plow and salt for parking lot*)
Endicott Electric
Endicott Water
NYS Gaming Commission (*bell jar*)
Thom Norton (*Bell jar tickets*)
USA Gaming (*Bell Jar tickets*)
Village of Endicott (*game license – bell jar*)
Terminex (*bell jar*)
US Post Office (*stamps*)
USPS Permit
Roma's Bakery
Action Fire (*extinguisher and hood service*)
Grease Busters (*Hood cleaning*)
Travel for pre-approved member services
Sentry Alarms
Village Printers
Agway
Warners Gas (*propane – Cash only*)
Hayn Welding (*maintenance*)
American Legion Convention and visitation
The Night Shift (*clean floors – yearly*) (*maintenance*)
The Hartford Insurance
Sanico (*restroom supplies*)
Tom Ellis Refrigerator (*repair Service – maintenance*)
Evens Plumbing and Heating (*maintenance*)
Hinman Howard & Kateu (*lawyers*)
Chubb Insurance (*building & liability*)
Sam's Club
Lowes credit card (*hardware supplies for maintenance*)
Office supplies for financial accounting
5% Quarterly Payment
Custodial Services
Endicott Florist
Yearly Website
Building Maintenance expenses

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