



STANLEY E. BANKS Sr.
VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS
POST 10003
Carmel, Indiana

General Business Meeting Minutes
Monday August 10, 2020

Joint pre-meeting: Commander Joel Watson and Auxiliary Sr. Vice President Teri Leirer called the meeting to order at 18:30 hours. With the attendance of the post Auxiliary and the post bartenders to discuss issues due to Covid-19. Commander Watson relayed our mission is to support our veterans and their families. And not deal with other personal issues. To address issues as adults, away from the bar. Richard Leirer talked about another post that may close due to infighting. Rock Effron spoke of the meeting in Terre Haute and how we should make this post the best in the state. Discussion regarding masks was held.

Opening the meeting: Commander Joel Watson called the meeting to order at 18:49 hours. The Commander asked all Officers to take their respective stations. All seats being properly filled, the Officer of the Day was asked to satisfy that members present were in good standing. The Officer of the Day reported to the Commander that all fifteen members present were in good standing. No one (1) members joined the meeting using Zoom.

Opening Prayer: The Chaplain delivered the opening prayer.

Salute of the American Flag: Members saluted the American Flag.

Pledge of Allegiance: The Commander led us in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Opening of the meeting: The Commander opened Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 10003 for the transaction of any business that may lawfully come before it. Special guest: Richard Leirer (State Jr Vice), Ken Lange (Sergeant at Arms), Tim McNally (State Finance Committee), Had a new member join his first meeting.

Reading of VFW Mission Statement: Read in unison.

Adjutant's Roll Call: All Officers were present or excused. See below.

New Membership: Robert Wilkinson, Darin Bebeau. Unanimous vote to accept.

Reading of the Minutes: Minutes from the July's meeting were read. Motion was made and seconded to approve minutes as posted. Motion made and seconded. Unanimous vote to accept.

Quartermaster Report: Tim McNally offered a report on our finances. On-hand spending amount for all accounts is \$36,323.26. Richard Leirer spoke about the hotel and how we can have a good breakfast. Tim McNally explained how the Indeed.com charges we waived. Unanimous vote to accept, subject to audit.

Service Officer Report: Realized his number was not in the News Letter. Will get it added.

Comrade in Distress: None at this time.

Committee Reports

House: Richard Leirer has met and met with the bar manager and put together a new job description and how to reduce wages. Inventory control. Discussion was held.

Planning: Merged with the house committee. Same report.

Membership: Currently at 9.91%.

Golf: Rock Effron thanked everyone who voted for us to get the golf outing. We won the State VFW Golf Tournament in 2021. He challenged everyone to get a \$100 hole sponsor. Richard Leirer thanked Rock!
Need volunteers

Building: Andy Fitzgerald spoke about the Aug 22nd (date is still fluid) flag ceremony with the media, soldiers and BS. His son got his Eagle project. Richard Leirer mentioned just picking a random day for this ceremony.

Hospital: Tim Pitchford spoke about VA Hospital is still not letting anyone in unless they got through a class.

Safety: Tim McNally spoke about the handicap spot in the parking lot.

Surgeon: Nothing to report.

Voice of Democracy and Patriots Pen: Rylie Hunton spoke about an email sent to the schools.

Remember our National Home: The Chaplain led a prayer to remember the National Home.

Unfinished Business: Parking lot paved. July 18th Boy Scouts stained the deck.

New Business: Tim McNally requests \$2000-\$2500 for National Home.

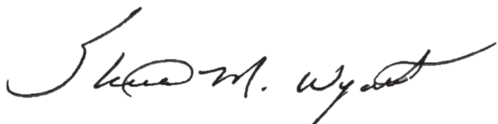
Good of the Order: Poppy program in the works with Andy Fitzgerald.

Closing Ceremonies: The Chaplain delivered the closing prayer, and colors were saluted.

Please forward all community hours to the Commander before the end of the month. The incoming Commander requested all newly initiated Officers to remain for a brief meeting.

Our next Post meeting will be on **Monday, September 14th, 2020** at 18:30 hours.

At 19:44 hours, the Commander declared the meeting closed.



Steve M. Wyatt
Adjutant

Attendance:

Commander	Joel Watson	Present
Sr. Vice Commander	Ken Lange	Present
Jr. Vice Commander	Andy Fitzgerald	Present
Quartermaster	Tim McNally	Present
Adjutant	Steve Wyatt	Present
Chaplain	Rock Effron	Present
Trustee 1 year	Tim Hannon	Present
Trustee 2 year	Roger Conn	Present
Trustee 3 year	Tim Pitchford	Present
Service Officer	Tom Blandford	Present
Judge Advocate	Robert Smith	Excused
Surgeon	Tim Pitchford	Present