

## **POST 149 MEETING MINUTES – JANUARY 9, 2024**

**Called to Order:** Vice-Commander Kevin Regan called at 1905 hours. Members Present: 9.

**Minutes:** December meeting minutes distributed to all with email, and distributed at meeting to others. Changes: None; Motion to accept: Jim Sabel, Second: Frank Sterzen, opposed none. Motion approved by all.

**Financials:** Spreadsheet for December financials were previously distributed via email prior to tonight's meeting and routed to other members at meeting. Motion to accept by Frank Sterzen and second by Ken Willhite, opposed none. Motion approved by all.

**New Members or Guests:** Transfers in Ken Willhite will participate in Honor Guard.

**Presentation:** 50 year (Pending) Jim Willfahrt will talk to Dave Specht about a presentation.

**Membership:** Chairman Dan Riviers: Currently 85 active members of which 6 are paid up for life, 5 members have not renewed for 2024. Three (3) members have not paid 2023 dues and will be dropped next June. These members have received letters and calls with no response. Members are encouraged to use the on-line system [Renew \(mylegion.org\)](http://mylegion.org) for their 2024 renewals.

**Home Bound:** The following members would appreciate buddy check phone calls keeping them up-to-date on what is happening with the post. Dick Wachter (920-449-1975); Dick Kosup (920-467-0309); Jerry Herriges (920-467-4856): Carl Zettel, no contact information, call Chuck if you have information as his phone is disconnected.

**Scholarship:** March-April applications will come in.

**House:** Web site has up-to-date files and calendar (for events and hall rental). Check the on-line calendar prior to attempting to schedule. Chamber Main Street: Changes will be made to site. Sure-Dry will perform maintenance in May. Track-Chair: Is available for renting, see Frank. We now have 3 wheel chairs (2 to give away) at the post, so call Frank to schedule a pick-up if you or anyone needs one. Cannot continue to have them in front of the exit door.

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**Camp American Legion:** Jim Sabel had a request from Camp to create a history for the camp's 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary in 18 months. Jim will work on getting shelf/sign-in log for Cabin 15. Chuck will get pictures ready (before/after remodeling for album). Written history is in cabin.

**Honor Guard:** Has had 27 funerals where they participated in honors so far in fiscal 2024. Jim Willfahrt will be getting rifles cleaned soon. Ken Willhite offered to help clean rifles.

**Service Officer:** Nothing to report.

**Unfinished Business:**

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1. **Officers/Team Assignments:** List of officers/team assignments will be re-distributed to all members with quarterly newsletter. New SOP's for Memorial Day and Veterans Day being developed by Gary Thelen. Need 3<sup>rd</sup> Vice Commander.
2. **Park Flag Pole:** Dan Riviers will ask Park Board when we could expect to do a presentation in spring.
3. **Sponsoring Legion Riders** June 28-30, 2024 –State will let us know what day/time we will have to open the post.
4. **Catalog Orders:** Larry Ter Maat will complete order once he has Alex's hat size. Larry is looking into getting new table cloth roll.
5. **Dogs to Dog Tags:** Donations have stopped.
6. **Mutts on a Mission:** New organization that supports all first responders and Veterans with rescued support dogs. This is a start-up to replace D2D, will determine in future if we support them, Chuck will let us know.
7. **Renters:** Alex/Crystal Kruschke buying home closed in January. Need new rental agreement, inspection of apartment, security deposit and determination of cost of rent and type of renter. House team will meet soon to hash out rental agreement. Rent will be raised to \$850 (has been \$650 for 5 years) in order to cover current expenses. Alex said they will move out by March 1<sup>st</sup>

**Consolidated Post Report:** Please track all your efforts in support of the American Legion such as: Buddy checks, Honor Guard, special ceremonies (e.g. silent march at fair, Veterans day, etc.), visiting/driving veterans; Camp American Legion; Donations to veteran programs (e.g. post, county, state, memorials, etc.) and anything else for the good of the Legion.

### **New Business:**

1. **District 2 Meeting** Kevin Regan noted that District 2 never called on him to give report. He was given pins for Dan Riviers, Bob Roska and Chuck Stelzner.
2. **Chamber Main Street:** Updated with current Post 149 information.
3. **Brat Fry – April 28<sup>th</sup>.** All hands on deck: Jim Sabel said assignments/tickets will come out in March. Ticket order will be 3,500.

**Correspondence/Communication:** Four (4) Chaplin's lunch (in Neshkoro, 75 miles) on February 3<sup>rd</sup> at 10:00 AM (see Chuck if interested need to be 2 members for posting colors).

### **Anything Else for the good of the American Legion:**

**Adjourned:** Motion by Jim Sabel second by Frank Sterzen to close meeting at 1940 hours approved by acclamation.  
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**Next Meetings: February 13, 2024, March 12, 2024, April 9, 2024**