

POST 149 MEETING MINUTES – FEBRUARY 13, 2024

Called to Order: Vice-Commander Kevin Regan called at 1900 hours. Members Present: 19

Minutes: January meeting minutes distributed to all with email, and distributed at meeting to others. Changes: None; Motion to accept: Frank Sterzen, Second: Dan Riviers, opposed none. Motion approved by all.

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

New Members or Guests: Harvey McBroom (County Vice Commander) & Mike Hansen (County Chaplain).

Presentation: 50 year (Pending) Jim Willfahrt talked to Dave Specht about a presentation and he said possibly at the next meeting.

Membership: Chairman Dan Riviers: Currently 87 active members of which 6 are paid up for life, 4 members have not renewed for 2024. Three (3) members have not paid 2023 dues and will be dropped in 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. One member (Doug Deely) renewed for 3 years.

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 (920-627-5475), AJ Schmitz (hospitalized – Talk to his wife Kathy 920-467-0211).

Scholarship: One application already received given to Ray Schmitt.

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. Track-Chair: Is available for renting, see Frank. We now have 3 wheel chairs, 2 walkers, 1 set of crutches, 3 canes and 1 toilet assist. Members can check them out by contacting Frank Sterzen (920-207-0247).

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Camp American Legion: Jim Sabel had a request from Camp to create a history for the camp's 100th anniversary in 18 months. Ken Wilhite donated a shelf and picture to be mounted at cabin 15 when they open it up on May 13th.

Honor Guard: Has had 24 funerals where they participated in honors so far in fiscal 2024. Jim Willfahrt is having the rifles cleaned. Family at last funeral complimented the team for a super job. Thanks to all the Honor Guard participants.

Service Officer: Nothing to report.

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Unfinished Business:

1. **Officers/Team Assignments:** Jim Sabel volunteered to be 3rd Vice Commander.
2. **Park Flag Pole:** Presentation to occur on May 8th at 5:15 PM, all members invited to the ceremony wearing at least their post cover.
3. **Sponsoring Legion Riders** June 28-30, 2024 –State will let us know what day/time we will have to open the post Kevin Regan will coordinate volunteers once we get an exact date/time.
4. **Mutts on a Mission (WI):** Chuck still evaluating ([\(1\) Facebook](#)) [Mutts On A Mission \(moamwi.org\)](http://moamwi.org)
5. **Renters:** Will vacate the apartment no later than March 4th. House committee evaluating all documents needed to rent apartment (\$850/month) and contract to be signed.

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. **Last District 2 Meeting** Chuck sent report to county commander, they were impressed with what post has accomplished so far in fiscal 2024.
2. **Brat Fry – April 28th.** All hands on deck: Jim Willfahrt has tickets with some distributed at this meeting and the rest for the March meeting and mailing. Posters are completed.
3. **Volunteer to write notes:** Looking for a volunteer to write notes to ill members and condolences to members who passed on. Jim Coulter and Ken Wilhite will handle this.
4. **March 6th District Meeting:** Will be held at our post. Kevin & Chuck will attend.
5. **Youth Camp (Gold Star Children & All Reserve Children):** Badger Youth Camp - \$225/child. Wisconsin National Guard Camp for children of deployed and gold star kids. Motion made by Karl Zore and seconded by Frank Sterzen to donate \$450 from post, passed by all. Ron Goelz will donate \$225 and Chuck \$1,000.
6. **Correspondence/Communication:** Four (4) Chaplin's lunch (in Neshkoro, 75 miles) cancelled.

Anything Else for the good of the American Legion: Frank stated that 4 people are signed up to use the track chair at Kohler-Andre Park.

Adjourned: Motion by Karl second by Ray to close meeting at 1945 hours approved by acclamation.

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Next Meetings: March 12, 2024, April 9, 2024, April 28th – BRAT FRY