

POST 149 MEETING MINUTES – NOVEMBER 12, 2024

Called to Order: Commander Bob Roska called at 1900 hours. Members Present: 14.

Minutes: Meeting minutes for October were previously distributed via email prior to tonight's meeting and routed to other members at meeting. Motion to accept by Larry Ter Maat seconded by Frank Sterzen and approved by all.

Financials: Spreadsheet for October financials were previously distributed via email prior to tonight's meeting and routed to other members at meeting. Motion to accept by Larry Ter Maat and seconded by Jim Willfahrt opposed none. Motion approved by all.

New Members or Guests: DuWayne Wieck – Sheboygan County Commander. Attended our meeting to determine if anything can be done to support out post, or to relieve Commander and/or Adjutant/Finance Officer, or recruit new younger members. Nothing concrete defined.

Presentation: Nothing

Membership: Chairman Dan Riviers: Currently 80 active members of which 6 are paid up for life. Members can renew for on-line at the cost of \$40. 15 Members have not paid their 2024 dues. ([Renew your membership online | The American Legion](#)). If anyone has any questions or issues they can text or call Dan Riviers (920-912-2000). Dan spoke about adding post information to the recruiting document to the VA service officers brochures in their office (in Sheboygan Falls) and will take of this. So that any new vets going there can get a brochure directing them to our post. He also stated that he would have some created for the Chamber Main Street office in Sheboygan Falls.

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); Jerry Herriges (920-467-4856); Carl Zettel (920-627-5475); Cliff Otte (920-226-2860 in assisted living), Gene Geltemeyer (920-980-0741 in nursing home); Ken Mauer (920-467-4620 in nursing home). All would appreciate calls from any vet. Home Bound Cards/Calls to be done by Jim Coulter & Ken Wilhite.

Scholarship: No report.

House/Apartment: Frank contracted with "Beyond Landscaping" (920-449-2022) to plow parking lot when snow exceeds 1" (\$40). Annual Fire Equipment and furnace inspection/correction completed. Frank located a key to the renters shed and made a copy for her. Post mailbox will have to be replaced as it leaks whenever it rains. Frank will finish the ramp deck in spring, but did the railings to make sure they were smooth.

Web site has up-to-date files and calendar (for events and hall rental). Check the on-line calendar prior to attempting to schedule.

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Camp American Legion: Jim Sabel led a team to close up Cabin 15. Jim asked camp director to get a bid for a new metal roof (could be \$15,000) as it needs replacement. Chuck also sent a note to the camp director looking for this cost so that it could be completed in spring. Some donations from Dick Wachters wife's funeral will be set-aside for this and several post members committed to donate some funds. Additional donations are welcome anytime from members. Camp will celebrate 100 year anniversary on June 14, 2025 and several post members will help with this.

Honor Guard: Have had over 20 funerals so far in 2024.

Service Officer: If you have any issues with the VA please call (920-207-4347) or email (sellorojo@wi.rr.com) Ken.

Unfinished Business:

1. **Veterans Day** – Larry Ter Maat coordinated all schools, dinner. Thanks Larry.
2. **Veterans Hockey Game:** February 6, 2025: Post sponsored Red Raiders team
3. **Close the post:** See note under visitors.

Consolidated Post Report (Jim Sabel): Jim Wilfahrt is tracking all funerals. Continue to track: Buddy checks, 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. National is also asking that **we track all community volunteer hours** such as: church, charities you support, other veteran organizations, etc. **NEW: Turn in logs to Jim Sabel by April 30th.**

New Business:

1. **Badger Boys State:** Post sponsored 1 boy (\$400) (motion by Kevin Regan, second by Frank, passed by all. Frank sponsored a second boy.
2. **New Members:** Motion by Frank second by Larry to pay the first year member dues (\$40) for all new members, approved by all.
3. **Motorized Wheel Chair:** Frank looking into new battery, insurance liability and donation of chair we received.

Correspondence/Communication: Bob read a couple of thank you notes we received.

Anything Else for the Good of the American Legion:

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

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Next Meetings: DEC 10TH 2024; JAN 14TH; FEB 11TH, MAR 11TH 2025