

POST 149 MEETING MINUTES – FEBRUARY 11, 2025

Called to Order: Vice Commander Kevin Regan called at 1900 hours. Members Present: 15.

Minutes: Meeting minutes for January were previously distributed via email prior to tonight's meeting and routed to other members at meeting. Motion to accept by Frank Sterzen seconded by Dan Riviers and 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 Larry Ter Maat and seconded by Gary Thelen, approved by all. **Note:** Cub Scouts have not cashed Oct check.

New Members or Guests: None

Membership: Chairman Dan Riviers: Currently 78 active members of which 6 are paid up for life. Members can renew on-line at the cost of \$40. 7 Members have not paid their 2024-25 dues. Bob Roska contacted all. ([Renew your membership online | The American Legion](#)). If anyone has any questions or issues they can text or call Dan Riviers (920-912-2000).

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) home; Cliff Otte (920-226-2860 in assisted living), Ken Mauer (920-467-4620 in nursing home). Ray Schmitt (920-467-6519) was at meeting. Chris Mastronardo hospitalized, had heart bypass and is doing cardiac rehab in Aruba.

Scholarship: Will start arriving soon: Team to review: Jim Sabel, Ron Goelz, Charlie Dunn, Ray Schmitt.

House/Apartment: Frank installed new mailbox (other leaked). Based on lease tenant rent raised \$50/month with additional tenant living there. Long discussion on floor needing work as well as someone taping things on wall and leaving clear packing tape which removes paint. Post agreed to increase non-member rental to \$150 as outside renters leaving messes, Frank will get estimate on buffing/sealing hall floor. 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: Cabin 15 opening scheduled for week of May 19th-21st with Jim Sabel (in charge), Jim Willfahrt, Charlie Dunn, Ken Wilhite. So far Ken and Kevin Regan, can accommodate 2 more as they will attend 100-year anniversary June 9-14, 2025. New stepladder purchased. Will need display board to set-up cabin pictures and history as well as getting local inspector to determine if fire extinguisher needs to be replaced.

Honor Guard: Have had 2 funerals so far in 2025. **Frank Lohr (Feb 21st funeral Bethel Lutheran at 1100) and Melvin Cardarelle (March 15th Graveside Funeral) passed away.** Did honors at High School Veterans Hockey Game.as well as formal Dinner in Manitowoc

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Service Officer: (Ken Wilhite) If you have any issues with the VA please call (920-207-4347) or email (sellorojo@wi.rr.com). Retired military veterans need new ID card by the end of 2025.

Unfinished Business:

1. **Chamber Main Street:** Post brochure included in visitor packet at Chamber.
2. **Brat Fry (April 27th):** Assignments to be forwarded in early March. All hands-on deck. Tickets were distributed at meetings or mailed to all members, they must sell or buy at least 10 tickets. Brat fry running from 1100-1700. Need to make sure all signs/tickets have corrected time.

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. **Turn in logs to Jim Sabel by April 30th.**

New Business:

1. **Uniforms/Coats:** Denice needs a shirt for Honor Guard. Have asked Eric Eberhardy to turn his in. Chuck ordered a new coat for himself that might replace old coats. Most honor guard members tried the new coat on and agreed that we should order 12 for the honor guard as well as patches to be sewn on. Motion by Jim Sabel, second by Karl Zore approved by all to spend up to \$1,800 on coats, patches, sewing from Honor Guard funds.

Correspondence/Communication:

Read letters from Track Chair User(Tim Welsch): Thank you as I went deer hunting for the first time in many years and Thank you from Gene Geltemeyer Family for honors.

Anything Else for the Good of the American Legion:

1. Motion by Bob Roska, second by Jim Sabel approved by all to order new flags for post. Contact Larry if you need any Legion things as he will put in order by next meeting.

Adjourned: Motion by Karl Zore, second Ray Schmitt to close meeting at 2000 hours approved by acclamation.

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Next Meetings: MAR 11TH, APRIL 8TH, APRIL 27TH (BRAT FRY) 2025