



# THE AMERICAN LEGION

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## **Executive Board Meeting**

**Commander Robbie Robinson:** Called for the start of the April 23<sup>rd</sup> 2024 E-Board meeting at 1800 with the appropriate opening ceremonies.

**Chaplin Steven Sheets:** Offered opening Prayer.

- **Commander Robbie Robinson** Reading of the Minutes.

**A motion was made to accept last month's minutes. Motion was seconded. All voting members said yay. Motion passed.**

- **Manager Tanya Garcia.** The Military Child event is this Saturday 27 April. On 7 May the Car Club is meeting in the Board Room. May 11 Is Breakfast also the Car Show starts at 1600 hrs., Sigma Delta will host a gala in the Hall om the 11<sup>th</sup> as well. May 16<sup>th</sup> Lifeline is holding their lunch in the Hall. May 18 Birthday Party in the Hall and Jimmy Buffett in the Lounge. 25 May Grad party in the game room also we have Steak Night Only 60 Seats available, also the Cheyenne Band will be performing. Parking lot update. The right side will be started on Monday, the left side should start on Thursday. Also, we need to replace the security system, it's going to cost us \$19,121.77 which will also include 40 cameras. Once we place the order and give a 50% down payment. It will be done in 5 to 7 days.

### **Why do we need to do that?**

**The Cameras we currently have do not work. The Alarm system we have does not work. We hold \$18,258 in the safe. If something were to happen, we cannot prove it. We publish what we have in the bank on the internet where anyone can see it. It is required by our insurance to have a working system. Kay said the Board can vote on it. We do not have to ask the General membership; we tell them we must do it because of the Insurance. If the fire alarm goes off there's no guarantee the fire department will be notified.**

- **Manager Tanya Garcia** We have both HVAC go out in the Hall this weekend. One was hit by the lawn team. It broke the gas line, the other had the motherboard fried because both units were running at the same time. One on Cold, the other on hot which caused the motherboard to burn

out. It will cost the legion \$2,000.00. The Red Cross will be using the meeting room on Friday's until they can find a new location. Chris and Don have been talking to the female bartender April in inappropriate ways. Stan Mullens came to me about six months ago telling me they were talking about sexual things with Misty. When I asked the bartender does, she wanted the legion to step in, she said no. April was made to feel very uncomfortable on Sunday. So that is something we need to address with Chris and Don. I would like to change the hours of the lounge. Monday – Thursday 1600 – 2300 hrs. Friday – Saturday 1600 – 0000 hrs. The reason being is no one really shows up to about 1600 hrs. on Saturday. So, you have the bartenders sitting around for two hours doing nothing.

**A motion was made to get the alarm system and cameras done. Motion was seconded. During discussion a member stated I don't think it should be brought to the General Membership until it is fixed. If we tell everyone our security system is not working, including our cameras, we run the risk of something happening. We do have to tell them but let's wait until it is secured again. Everyone agreed. Vote was made all voting members said yay, no one say nay. Motion passed.**

- **Chaplin Stephen Sheets** I don't have much going on some people are still recovering from stuff. If anyone has anything, please let me know.
- **First Vice Jeanine Morrison** nothing other than the AC case and AC unit concerning Mark Kennedy, it was tabled to this month. So now it's now old business.
- **Commander Robbie Robinson** the thing with Mark Kennedy, I spoke to Andy. He said Mark admitted that he broke it open because it was too hot. But when I asked Mark, he denied it.
- **First Vice Jeanine Morrison** Commander I thought you said he confessed to you.
- **Commander Robbie Robinson** I never said he confessed to me. He told Andy. The reason we need to replace this is because we had both units running Ac/Heat at the same time. So, it would never get cold there.
- **Manager Tanya Garcia** One thing is when the guys were here for the AC Unit, I counted all the thermostats we have 7 of them in the building. I am getting a quote to replace them all and have them locked and where they can be changed on a computer. They are like \$150.00 each but we can go to Lowes and get them for \$59.00 each. And get the lock cases and lock them.
- **Publicity Officer Gary Brewer** in the Hall there are two thermostats. One in the front, and one in the back. Talking about the thermostats, now if the Bingo Chairman Mark Kennedy or someone else in Bingo can't touch the thermostat, how come Mary Ann can? I seen it myself.
- **Manager Tanya Garcia** Mary should not have been able to. She didn't have a key or combination to get it. This must have been after it.
- **Publicity Officer Gary Brewer** well she did, and I saw her myself. This was before it broke.
- **First Vice Jeanine Morrison** well it does get hot in hall when they're dancing or playing Bingo.

- **Publicity Officer Gary Brewer** yes but Mark and Mary Ann should not be touching it only the Manager or Assistant Manger should be allowed to change it.
- **Sargent At Arms** In regards to Mark, it says in our rules that if anyone has damaged any property in the Post they should pay for it and come before the E-Board.
- **Adjutant Drew Chitty** While we are on the subject of Mark Kennedy. I would like to put out a vote of no confidence for Mark Kennedy for Honor Guard. He has not been turning over any money from a bunch of funerals we had and donations that were made to us. The last money he turned over to Kay was in October of 2023. We had nothing since. Not to mention he is not keeping track of the funerals we are having. When I asked him for the count of how many funerals we have done since June 2023 to the present for the CPR, he told me we only did 10 funerals and 2 posting of colors. Julia looked up and counted. We have done 18 funerals and 2 postings of colors. So where is all that money and donations we got for those funerals? I understand his health is not too good right now and he's going through a lot physically. So, he should realize that he cannot do this job anymore, or at least right now and step down. There was two donations that were made to the honor guard after the funeral. One was for \$150.00 and the other was for \$250.00.
- **Commander Robbie** let me get with Mark and find out what happened to other 10 funds that we haven't received, and the two donations. but I have no proof that anything was paid for.
- **Second Vice Larry Johnson** Printed out the photos of the statues. Spoke about getting statues for out front. One on each side of the entrance door in front. Spoke about three different types of eagles. The pedestal is \$90.00 each and the Standing eagle over the boots is \$170.00 each making a total of \$520.00 for both without delivery. Gotta speak to him to find out what the cost of delivery is. I don't want to go pick them up and have one of them break while driving back. The pedestal is about 14 to 15 inches tall. The statue of the eagle over the boots is approximately 3 foot.
- **Finance Officer Julia Sheets** Our total income for this month is \$98,212.55. Our total expenditure this month is \$91,443.69 which leaves us a positive income of \$7,207.00. We paid taxes this month. We had taxes coming out and we had to fix some stuff. We had some thank you letters come in from the Boy Scouts, Special Olympics, Feed America, and Project Learn. We got an invite from the Boy Scouts for the Hardin County and Larue County Distinguished Citizens Award ceremony. Please join us as we honor Denis and Lisa Parrot. On Tuesday May 21<sup>st</sup>, 2024, at 1800hrs. You can be a Presenting Sponsor for \$20,000.00, an Event Sponsor for \$10,000.00, a Diamond Sponsor for \$5,000.00 or you can donate at the event. Spoke about donations she wants to make.
- **Adjutant Drew Chitty** I will be picking up the plaque for that young man Connor Zink. Which will be presented to him on May 2<sup>nd</sup> at the start of the General meeting. Those of you that don't know the Americanism Committee started up our own Local Eagle Scout of the Year program. We voted on this a few months ago. He will be receiving a plaque for our First Annual Eagle Scout of the Year along with a \$500.00 scholarship. We hope to make this an annual thing, It will only be presented to a local Eagle Scout that just made their Eagle Scout the prior year.

- **Service Officer Tom Dube** I passed out the Service officer report to the Adjutant for the Consolidated Post Report. What the numbers mean is face to face contact with veterans per month. Then the average. The Department is still planning on putting on the Service Officer Academy in July. Its going to be somewhere between one to three days and held in Frankfort, so if anyone is interested in that. I want to bring up the incident concerning the thermostat and the AC's because I don't think we finished that. Nobody's come forward or said anything and what will be the cost to fix them.
- **Manager Tanya Garcia** I don't know yet I won't know until they get here, but it's going to be expensive. I know the part that the inmates broke is going to be \$2,000.00.
- **Second Vice Larry Johnson** Tom are you planning to drive back and forth for the training?

**Motion was made to help fund Toms training by getting him a hotel room and give him a per diem to pay for his meals while he is there and for his millage. Motion was second. All voting members said yay, no one said nay. Motion passed.**

- **Sargent at Arms Mike Kabel** I'll be checking I.D.'s for the election. Drew has made the ballots. Only Legionnaires will be allowed in while we are voting.
- **Publicity Officer Gary Brewer** I am working on the newsletter. The website allows me to upload photos and I can change data, but it's not allowing me to upload PDF's right now. Which I use for the minutes. I have them checking into it. So, I'll get that posted as soon as they fix it. Jake Owens, who is a member here and comes up for breakfast every second Saturday. He will be turning 100 years old on May 24<sup>th</sup>, 2024. I think we should have a little something for him to celebrate his birthday. Shirley brings him every breakfast.
- **Auxiliary Linda Brewer** Still got our quilt raffle going on until the July 13<sup>th</sup>, 2024 breakfast. \$1.00 a ticket. Military Child will be on the 27<sup>th</sup>. The derby party is coming up on May 4<sup>th</sup>, it will be a pot luck and going to have a 50/50. Karaoke will be done after the last race.
- **SAL Gary Brewer** We got Jimmy Buffet coming up on the 18<sup>th</sup>. We will also be doing a 50/50 drawing.
- **Commander Robbie Robinson** New Business. Memorial Day service is coming up on the 27<sup>th</sup>. If you know of any veteran that has passed away after May 1<sup>st</sup>, please let me know so I can get them on the list. The city is wanting to do the flyers this year the have a graphic artist. National Commander will be here the 21<sup>st</sup> of May at 1300 hrs. I would like all E-Board members to be here and the family heads. On game 6 of the Bingo auxiliary gets 60% we get 40%.

**Attest: Drew Chitty Post Adjutant**

**Clarence "Robbie" Robinson Post Commander**