

AMERICAN LEGION HARDIN POST 113 1251 Ring Road Elizabethtown, Kentucky 42701 Minutes Executive Committee Meeting September 28, 2023

Commander Clarence Robinson:

Opened meeting at 6:00 p.m. with appropriate ceremonies.

Quorum was not formed due to 4 board members not present.

Board Members Present: Commander Robinson, 2nd vice Larry Johnson, Sgt-At Arms Mike Kabel, VSO Tom Dube' and Publicity Office Gary Brewer.

• Commander Robinson:

Discussed a successful mission according to the family of PFC Brooks' for the Celebration of Life Ceremony, conducted at Post 113. Also, the Post is having an Oktoberfest on the 30th. Membership is doing well as the Post is at 75% of membership goal.

• Commander Robinson:

Made a motion to approve minutes as read from previous meeting. 2nd Vice: Larry Johnson, 2nd the motion and motion was voted on. Minutes approved by majority voice count.

• Post Manger Tanya Garcia:

Reported about upcoming post activities. Game room has a schedule made and posted due to the room being used almost every weekend.

Trunk or Treat on the 28th from 12:00-4:00pm.

Oktoberfest has a schedule of activities to be done on Saturday October 30th.

A person with Black Top business broke down at the post facility and is to give bids for blacktopping sealing and striping the parking lot.

Assistant manager Steve Stewart, has some drawings of plans to expand patio area by 2 parking spaces. The authority to approve the patio expansion will have to be approved by the Executive Board and City of Elizabethtown. The Hardin County inmates would be asked to help on performing some of the labor.

The post is open now on Mondays until 11pm due to NFL Monday night football.

Tonya, the new cook is doing good at her job. Saturday night meals is not working out and will be only on special events. The kitchen is going to be open on Wednesdays for a 90 day trial period.

Management is asking the SAL and Aux to change their meeting rooms on November 9th due to hall being rented out that day. Also, on the 16th November have the ALR to move their meeting area as the hall is being rented out that night as well.

Queen of Hearts will start on the October 30th. Management could use help selling tickets through the week. Drawing for the Queen of Hearts is to be conducted every Saturday night at 9:15pm.

Publicity Office Gary Brewer:

Reminded the board members that the post has an open 50/50 riffle that can be conducted every Saturday night. Any of the post families can use the 50/50 as a fund raiser.

• Commander Robinson:

<u>Reported for Chaplin</u>, that we need prayers for George Townsend, Randy Harris and Rick Crouch.

Reported for 1st Vice on membership, 1,290 members currently signed or renewed.

• 2nd Vice Larry Johnson:

Reported he had sprayed weeds and maintaining restrooms.

• Commander Robinson:

Reported for Finance Officer, total income for September = \$79,310.99 total expenses = \$64,611.76. Net total income for September = \$15,655.37.

Reported for Adjutant, 18 new members and 3 transfers.

Executive Board needs to vote on transfers to be approved as members.

VSO Tom Dube':

Reported 135 plus veterans seen year to date. 252 plus veteran claims filed and answering phone calls. He has been having issues with faxes not being confirmed or fax transactions not being received. He needs to have a dedicated fax line set up for the VSO office.

Publicity Office Gary Brewer:

Reported he had received all the articles from the officers and ALR director to put in the October newsletter. The newsletter should be published and online by 30th of September. The ones to be mailed out by the 30th as well.

• Sgt-At-Arms Mike Kabel:

Reported, nothing to report, however we should thank post manger Tanya for money that she saves the post.

• SAL Commander Brandon Curry:

Reported that this week's Monday night dinner funds were being used to support BE THE ONE PROGRAM. Also, that he has been nominated for SAL National Vice Commander and would need approval and a resolution from Hardin Post 113.

• ALR Director Erin Fulkerson:

Reported that War on Terror Dinner is on Thursday October 19th and at this time only 40 veterans have signed up for tickets. Also, ticket sales for this event will continue until a week before the event is to take place. Volunteers will be from post 113 and 1st TSC from fort Knox. 40 raffle tickets are all that's left for the golden Boy Rifle to be given away in December. Gala will be discussed at the next ALR meeting.

Erin Fulkerson: Erin wanted a confirmation that Trunk or Treat event to be from 12-4pm. and if rain event will be cancelled.

ALA President Jerilynn Kabel:

Reported that Donna Thurman, at national convention was elected as National Historian. Still looking for a person to work the Over and Under game for Oktoberfest.

ALA 1st Vice Linda Brewer, will be conducting a 50/50 drawing at Oktoberfest.

Craft Bazar will be going on at next breakfast on October 14th, also the school supply drive will continue until early next year.

Jerilynn requested to be able to use the hall once or twice a month to make poppies.

Unfinished business/Benefit of the Legion.

Commander Robinson:

Veteran's Day will be at the wall on November 11th. The city / nature park has been contacted along with the Heart of Ky Chorus. Commander is waiting to hear, as to who the keynote speaker will be. Flags will be posted at legion and the Nature Park. Commander stated that after the ceremony a lunch will be provided at the post. Post manager Tanya, stated that they could purchase tickets for the Dinner and entertainment that evening as well while at the luncheon.

ALR Director Erin, reminded that if anyone knew of any organization that would like to participate with BE The ONE program, maybe they could pair with the ALR's Gala Event. 2nd Vice Larry asked about the Vietnam dinner in April and if we could get Cindy Stonebraker as a keynote speaker for that event.

Also asked, if any date has been set for this event and commander replied not yet. PO Gary Brewer, stated that Angie Saunders has been doing a good job rebuilding the Juniors program.

 Commander Robinson: Stated that the American Legion College will be conducting a class in December and if anyone is interested see him for details.
Door card machine is being replaced in November and members will be getting new door keys to enter post lounge.

Closure of Meeting.

6:43pm Commander Robinson: closed the meeting with the appropriate ceremony.

Attest: Gary Brewer Publicity Officer Clarence Robinson Post commander