



THE AMERICAN LEGION
DEPARTMENT OF WASHINGTON
Grant Hodge Post 17
American Legion Membership Meeting Minutes
February 9, 2023
Centralia, Washington

I. CALL TO ORDER

The American Legion Grant Hodge Post 17 American Legion Membership met in session on February 9, 2023. Meeting was called to order by Commander Bob Clark at 7:00 pm.

II. ROLL CALL

Officers present:

Commander, Bob Clark

1st Vice Commander, Roger Towers

2nd Vice Commander, Kevin Anderson

Adjutant, Kim Shires

Finance Officer, Jessie Horton

Chaplain, Mike Webb

Sergeant at Arms, Robyn Olson

More than twelve members were present which constituted a quorum.

III. ADOPT THE AGENDA

Membership was given the opportunity to read the agenda. A motion to adopt the agenda was made by Roger Towers and was seconded by John Clark. Discussion: Commander Bob Clark asked for an addition to the agenda of the appointment of a Nomination Committee. Motion passed.

IV. GUESTS, PROSPECTIVE & NEW MEMBERS

New members were Andrey Graf, SAL and Mike Williamson, TAL.

V. MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Membership was given the opportunity to read the minutes from the January 5, 2023 meeting.

A motion to accept the minutes was made by Jessie Horton and was seconded by Michael Webb. Discussion had. Motion passed.

VI. REPORTS

Executive Board Meeting Minutes

A motion to forego the reading of the Executive Board meeting minutes out loud and allow the membership to read the minutes presented was made by Michael Webb and was seconded by Kevin Anderson. Discussion had. Motion passed.

A motion to approve the minutes of the Executive Board meeting was made by Bob Terrell and was seconded by Michael Webb. Discussion had. Motion passed.

Finance Report

A motion to receive and file the finance report was made by Roger Towers and was seconded by Bob Terrell. Discussion had. Motion passed.

Audit Committee Report

Finance Officer reported the recommendations of the Audit Committee.

A motion to spend up to \$350 for the purchase of a drop safe was made by Michael Webb and was seconded by Robyn Olson. Discussion had. Motion passed.

A motion to create a chart of accounts in Quick Books was made by Michael Webb and was seconded by Roger Towers. Discussion had. Motion passed.

A motion to start conducting a quarterly liquor inventory in Quarter 2 (April, May, June) was made by Robyn Olson and was seconded by Glenn Terry. Discussion was had. Motion passed.

A motion that only 3 people, the Finance Officer, the Assistant Finance Officer and the Chaplain have the combination to the safe was made by Rolly Badavinac and was seconded by Roy Corson. Discussion had. Motion passed.

Membership Report

Currently we have 230 members towards our goal of 265 for the year. This makes us 87% completed.

A motion to receive and file the Membership report was made by Michael Webb and was seconded by Kevin Anderson. Discussion had. Motion passed.

VII. DEPARTED POST MEMBERS, SICK CALL, RELIEF AND EMPLOYMENT

Arlen Branch passed away on June 3, 2022. Kip Busby passed away on December 25, 2022.

VIII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was no unfinished business

IX. NEW BUSINESS

A motion to work with the Lounge Board to implement a 7 O'clock Toast was made by Rolly Badavinac and seconded by John Clark. Discussion had. Motion passed.

As per our bylaws, the Commander, Bob Clark, appointed a Nomination Committee for next years officers. Bob Terrell, Rolly Badavinac and Mike Williamson accepted the appointments.

X. GOOD OF THE LEGION

Buddy Check is Saturday February 11th at 1 PM

Next Planning Meeting is Wednesday, February 16th at 6 PM

Next Executive Board Meeting is Tuesday February 28th at 7 PM

Next Membership Meeting is Thursday March 2nd at 7 PM - We will conduct new member initiations during this meeting.

During Superbowl Halftime we will give away \$25 Legion bucks as a door prize.

New signs at the front and back entrance to the Post will be hung by next meeting.

Talk of bringing in a band up to twice per month was discussed. Membership agreed and this will be discussed with the Lounge Board.

XI. ADJOURNMENT

The Post 17 American Legion Membership meeting ended at 8:00 pm by Commander, Bob Clark.

Kim Shires
Adjutant

Bob Clark
Commander

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