



VFW POST 6247

Sept 8, 2015

Meeting called to order at 1922 hrs by Commander Scharra
Pledge of Allegiance and salute to the Flag led by Commander Scharra

Commander Scharra led the members in Recitation of Section 3 of the Congressional Charter

Chaplin Barnas read the opening prayer and prayer for VFW National Home for Children.

Roll call of Officers held:

Position	Name	Present	Absent	Excused
Commander	William Scharra	X		
Sr Vice Commander	Robert Dean		X	
Jr Vice Commander	Frank Ballesteros	X		
Quartermaster	Brian Kelly	X		
Chaplin	Brownie Barnas	X		
Adjutant	George Boller			X
Trustee	John Grant		X	
Trustee	Clayton Spiedel		X	
Trustee	John Schroeder	X		

Commander Scharra asked if there were any new members present:
Donald Putsch renewed his membership

Minutes read by acting Adjutant, Comrade Schroeder read the minutes of the August meeting. The Commander asked if there were any additions or corrections. Corrections were made to the Financial Report where the amount in the savings account and value of the Post were reversed. Comrade Marculis moved that the minutes be accepted as read with the corrections to the Financial Report. Seconded by Comrade Knaish. Motion carried.

The Commander asked for the Quartermaster's Report. Quartermaster Kelly reported that as of August 2015 the checking account balance was \$7653.37, which includes a Welfare Fund of \$3569.29 and the saving account balance was \$8846.46, making the value of the Post \$15626.74. A motion to approve the report was made by Comrade Knaish and seconded by Comrade Ballesteros. The motion carried. A copy of the Quartermaster's Report is attached to these minutes.

Bills Reported:

Bonding Fee for \$80, District Dues for \$20

A motion to approve payment(s) was made by Comrade Knaish and seconded by Comrade Balesteros Motion Carried

The Commander ask for the Reading of Communications:

Comrade Schroeder brought up the Public Forum at the Sept 22 School Board Meeting on Tax Exempt possibilities for Veterans. It's encouraged that as many Veterans as possible to attend this meeting and voice they're support

Spanish American Veterans are having a 5k run at Canal Side on Sept 12

NY Dept of Veterans Affairs is sponsoring it annual Tree Sale, Tree for Troops see the Dept website for details

Commander Marlene Roll is having a Homecoming on Saturday Oct 24

District Meeting will be held in Wellsville, NY September 13th

Service Officers Report:

None

Commander Scharra asked if there is a Comrade or the Family of a Comrade in distress Comrade Gavigan is in the VA Hospital for test that require 72 hr monitoring before being released

Report of all Committees:

Poppy Sale set for Nov 6 and 7. Comrade Marculis will coordinate with banks and participants

Unfinished Business:

Discussion on what the Pathfinders Organization is and what it does and the reason why a \$500 donation instead of \$1000 was given this year

Comrade Schroeder reminded the Post that DD-214s are still needed to be received from members of the Post

Discussion on Mixer that was scheduled for October and possible move to December. Comrade Marculis to check on available dates

New Business:

Orchard Park High School will honor Veterans and First Responders at the home football game on 9/11

Good of the Order:

Discussion on changing the night of the meeting to see if another night would be more beneficial to the membership, none being found meetings will remain on the second Tuesday of the month

There being no further business, Commander Scharra asked Chaplin Barnas to read the closing prayers followed by a final salute to the flag. Meeting adjourned at 2035 hours for pizza and wings.

Respectfully Submitted,
George Boller, Adjutant