**NORTHWEST DUPAGE AMERICAN LEGION POST 1084**

General Meeting Minutes

Tuesday 09 March 2021

Commander Cobb called the meeting to order at 19:07 hours.

There were 13 members present.

The colors being in place, a salute to the flag was rendered. Chaplain Omachel, offered an opening prayer. The POW/MIA ceremony was led by Commander Cobb in the absence of Sergeant-at Arms Tim O’Neil. Commander Cobb then led us in the Pledge of Allegiance. The members then recited the Preamble to the Constitution of the American Legion.

There two guests; Pete Pelligrino (Roselle Mayoral candidate) and Tom Lewicky (USAF -1981).

Pete was escorted to the front and introduced himself as a candidate for mayor. His grandfather and uncle are veterans (*SAL Candidate*).

Ty offered time for everyone to read the minutes from the previous meetings held on 12 January and 09 February 2021. **Note:** Due to the lack of a quorum at the February meeting, the January minutes were not voted on for approval.

A motion to approve the January minutes was made by Mike Fennell, seconded by Gerry Luptak. Motion carried. A motion to approve the February minutes was made by Paul Omachel, seconded by Russel Bean, Motion Carried.

**OFFICER REPORTS:**

**COMMANDER:**

Ty covered the following:

* Mayor Andy Maglio donated $1,000 to the RALCF at the Thursday Executive Committee meeting. The funds are restricted to the upkeep of the veteran’s memorial.
* There is a **new brewery** in town (Itasca Brewing) that will be located across the street from the post and parking will be needed.
* Glen from the Cruise Night group told Ty that the **Auto Shows** will be in full swing this year.
	+ The legion members need to step up and take advantage of the car show’s popularity to promote our club and to sell raffle tickets.
* **Memorial Day** should be done in a regular fashion.
* Looking for people to help out with the **Flags for Roselle** program.

**SR. VICE COMMANDER:**

Mike Fennell reported the following about membership:

* 2 new members since last meeting for a total – 210 (88.2% of 238 quota)

Paul Goodwin heard from 11 District Senior Vice (Virgil Oikion) who was pushing membership. Paul suggested that we reach out, personally, to the members that have not renewed.

 **JR. VICE COMMANDER:**

Ty had nothing to report.

**ADJUTANT:**

Paul Goodwin had no report.

**FINANCE OFFICER:**

Ed Pottle was absence and there was no report.

**SERGEANT-AT-ARMS:**

Tim O’Neil was absent.

**SERVICE OFFICER:**

Pat Hull was absent.

**JUDGE ADVOCATE:**

Paul Goodwin had no report

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**AMERICANISM:**

Ty reported tha we have three contestants for the Oratorical Contest and three contestants for the Essay Contest. One of the Oratorical contestants took 1st place!

**HOUSE COMMITTEE:**

Gerry reported:

* The Fish Fry sales are going surprisingly well based on the fact that we’re doing everything carry out.
* Post Clean Up will take place in May and help will be needed.
	+ Clean Up will be held on a different day as planting.
	+ Ty said the Lake Park Hockey Team will help with clean up.

**AUXILIARY:**

No report.

**SONS OF THE LEGION:**

No report.

**GIFT TO THE YANKS:**

No report.

**LEGION RIDERS:**

Bob Benko reported that the High Road Riders “Bike Blessing will be taking place on Saturday, April 24.

**FOUNDATION:**

Mike Fennell reported that we have about $25,000 in the account. Paul mentioned that the RALCF has received about $120 through AmazonSmile. Please enroll!

The 4th Quarter Foundation meeting will take place on 4/8 at 6:00 pm.

**FLAGS FOR ROSELLE:**

Bob Benko said there are about 140 subscriptions so far. The Legion is a chartering organization and realizes financial benefit from subscriptions. PLEASE SIGN UP!! (Very pithy, Bob!)

Ty thanked Bob for initiating the program.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

None

**NEW BUSINESS:**

None

**GOOD OF THE LEGION:**

None.

**BENEDICTION:**

Paul Omachel led the members in a closing prayer.

Meeting adjourned at 1937 hours.

 Respectfully submitted,



 Paul Goodwin - Adjutant