

Minutes Of
Post No. 35 Department of Maine
THE AMERICAN LEGION

Minutes of 15 April 2022

Meeting was opened at 7:15 PM by Commander Linscott with 5 officers and 6 members present.

Minutes of the 18 March 2022 meeting were read to members present; minutes were approved and filed with Post Adjutant

Committee Reports

Finance Officer – pro tem Splettstoesser reported that all bills were paid and the Bangor Savings Bank account had a balance of \$14,345.76 of which \$8,289.76 was in the General Fund, and \$6,055.60 is in the Savings account as of 4/13/2022 Report was made and held for audit.

Membership Committee Chairman – Splettstoesser reported that membership is at 108%, according to District 2 records, Our “Goal to Grow” is 75 and we have 94 of our 103 members who have paid their 2022 dues.

Executive Committee Chairman – Meeting held on 4/13/2022 – report covered under New Business

Americanism Officer – Americanism Committee member Pock delivered twelve (12) Dirigo State applications to South Portland High School, He also sent a notice to the Greater Portland Christian School and Greely High School with a link to obtain applications off the Mainelegion.org website.

Trustees Chair Chairman – Chairman Pock reported that all fire damage has been repaired and with the help of the North East Sector Coast Guard CPOA all damaged wall have been painted, as well as, the baseboard on the ground floor.

Finance Committee – All outstanding bills have been paid for the Fire Damage Project with the exception of \$3,502.62 owed to Pock Carpentry LLC. The balance of \$2,215.08 from Patriot Inc. has been received and deposited in the General Fund account. The payment to Pock Carpentry LLC can now be processed upon approval of Finance Committee.

Sick Call

1. Ron Palmquist is recovering from a fall. Adjutant Pock visited recently and delivered a book about Maine Railroad workers assisting in the WWI railroads in France. Ron’s wife will read the book to him as his eyesight is failing.

Old Business

1. Nominations and Elections were held with one vote cast by the Adjutant for the following Officers:

Commander – Guy Linscott, 1st Vice Commander – Wes Splettstoesser, 2nd Vice Commander – Tony Batchelor, Adjutant – Mike Pock, Chaplain – Skip Farr, and Sgt. at Arms – Ross Fehnel were elected.

The Office of Finance Officer is vacant at this time. Motion to cast one vote was made by Ken Marston and seconded by Ed Tyler. Motion passed

Past Commander Recognition

Splettstoesser, Marston, Linscott, Tyler and Batchelor were in attendance.

Correspondence

1. Letters were received from the South Portland Little League and the Maine Blind Camp. SPLL was a budget item already approved and Maine Blind Camp will be discussed at next Executive Committee meeting.

New Business

1. Our very successful “Bottle Drive” will start up again on May 15. Bottle will be stored under the front porch awaiting delivery weekly to the Redemption Center. Moved by Ed Tyler and seconded by Paul Thibeault. Motion passed

2. The Donation Moratorium, enacted several years ago when the Post was less financially stable, was discussed at the last Executive Committee meeting and brought before the member to discontinue. All correspondence for donations will be brought before the Finance Committee and members for approval. Moved by Ed Tyler and seconded by Mike Pock. Motion passed.

3. Approval of use of the building by the AARP Tax Assistance Program for next year at no cost was discussed and on a motion by Ed Tyler and seconded by Paul Thibault was passed. An appreciation event will be held in June for their volunteer help in tax preparations for our seniors.

50/50 Raffle

No raffle held

Post Everlasting

Richard Swasey – Died in January 2022. Notice passed on to Dist. 2 Chaplain. The Post Charter was draped in honor of the deaths of Past Members

For the Good of the Legion/ Upcoming Events

1. Memorial Day Parade will be held in South Portland on May 30th. “Flagging of Veteran’s graves will be done on Saturday May 28th. Further information will be put out by the South Portland War Veterans Memorial Association.

2. Commander Linscott is calling for a “Work Day” at the Post prior to May 15 in preparation for our “Bottle Drive”. Day will be announced before the 15th of May.

2. Up Coming Events –

April 2022

16th – Private Party (Smith)

20th – Commanders Coffee

23rd – Maine Regiment

May 2022

4th – Richardson “Celebration of Life”

7th – Linscott “Celebration of Life”

10th – Girl Scout Appreciation Supper

12th – Spring Point Ledge Light Association Meeting

13th – Change of Command CGC Sitkinak Reception

13th – 15th – Sea Cadet Weekend

15th – Bottle Drive Start

16th – Red Cross Blood Drive

18th – Commanders Coffee

20th – Post Meeting

28th – Maine Regiment

Commander Closing Comments.

1. Commander Linscott thanked everyone present for coming out to attend our meeting and provide a quorum to conduct Post business

Adjournment

8:30 PM

Respectfully Submitted

Michael R. Pock – Adjutant