American Legion Post 42 Minutes from 7 March 2022

Meeting called to order at 1800 by Commander Schroeder, Sgt at Arms checked ID's and secured the door. Invocation given by chaplain POW/MIA flag posted by Sgt at Arms Preamble recited

In attendance were: Kurt Schroeder, Deb Schroeder, Tom Bartlebaugh, Jack Buck, Curts Lipp, Dennis Caldwell, Richard McAfee, Rich Petrina, Tammy McConnell, Bob Claycomb, Debbie Lipsie, Craig Lipsie, Sandy Cooper, Barb Locklear, Ray Shields, Chris Hopkins

Roll Call of officers performed by Sgt at Arms, Bob Claycomb

Commander: K Schroeder, Present 1st Vice Commander: C Lipsie, Present 2nd Vice Commander: Lee Parks, excused

Adjutant: D Schroeder, Present Finance: B Locklear, Present Chaplain: S Cooper, Present Sgt at Arms: B Claycomb, Present Post Advocate: Brooke Grubb, Excused Service Officer: C Hopkins, Present Post Historian: R McAbee, Present

1st order of business: February meeting minutes – D Schroeder

Minutes from Feb were presented and discussion concerning the wording of "prospects" when pertaining to new perspective members of the ALR was discussed. The word "prospects" would typically pertain to an MC club and members felt that was not the right wording for our Riders. Membership voted to change the minutes to "perspective" members rather than "prospects" B Claycomb motion to accept minutes with the wording change, B Locklear second. All ayes, motion to accept with change approved.

2nd order of business: Finance Report – B Locklear

The finance report was submitted and reviewed by B Locklear. All questions were answered. Motion to accept finance report subject to audit made by B Claycomb, second by R Shields. All ayes, motion to accept approved.

Also pertaining to finances, the Commander reviewed the finances from the year. He stated we made \$35,977 total income and expenses were \$24,179 so we cleared \$11,798 for the past year. He broke down where we're at without the raffle etc. He would like to put together a finance committee to put together a budget for us. The Canteen income \$4927 expenses \$3082 and cleared \$1845. Kitchen for the months of Sep-Dec income was \$3333, expenses \$2228, and cleared \$1105. J Buck mentioned he has a contact at Humana who may cover our costs for Bingo and the free community breakfast. This will help our budget. He is hoping he will hear something soon about this. B Claycomb made motion to appoint or elect a finance committee of 3-5 people total. Commander stated a committee was put together last year but illness was taken over and they weren't able to do much. R McAbee mentioned that we could use the executive committee. Further discussion ensued. Commander stated he would like to use members with some sort of financial background in this committee and he would like to appoint the committee members.

R Shields second Bob's motion to appoint or elect a finance committee of 3-5 people.

B Locklear stated the finance committee is appointed not elected and only the finance officer is elected.

T McConnell stated with elections next month or close, why not use those members not elected. B Claycomb stated we may need to use the executive committee members if nobody volunteers to be a part of the finance committee.

All members agreed to have a finance committee of 3-5 members.

B Claycomb stated he wanted to commend those working behind the scenes this past year, and to thank the Commander for all the work he's done.

Committee Reports

ALR Update – D Lipsie stated they have a flyer to submit, Blessing of the Bikes with a 50/50 raffle and silent auction. There is also a Legacy Ride June 3-5 and is closed to ALR members only. Haydens Hope is Dept 10 this year, they are having 2, 5k runs as well

Boys State- J Buck

Boys State has done well getting sponsors. So far the Elks, Kiwanis, Lions, Masonic Lodge, Fayetteville Mayor, Brooke Grubb, Warrior Exhibit, Pam Comstock, Andrew Jackson F&AM have all donated. Money needs to be into Nashville by 15 April with names of students. Discussion of having a banquet for boys and girls state together this year, usually is the week that school starts but we would like to have this in June this year instead. More discussion and planning in the weeks ahead.

Raffle- J Buck

VFW raffle this year and in 2 months the Legion raffle paperwork needs to be submitted for 2023.

Commander: Needs someone to do follow up with Certificates of Appreciation – someone to produce these as we get donations etc. B Locklear stated she will volunteer

Review of Calendar and events, please get the word out that the Post is available to rent

Sandy made a comment to have a silent auction at the free community breakfasts

Oratorical: B Claycomb

This is Bobs last meeting before moving to Florida. D Schroeder will pick up Oratorical temporarily, and it won't start getting busy until after June. Bob stated First Fridays start in April and someone will need to start requesting space on-line. We also talked about having a beer garden at the First Fridays, need someone to find out and follow up with this. Open

April 16 is Slawburger Festival – are we going to be there passing out information?

B Locklear – Lions club is doing their sports catalog this year and she would like to purchase an ad in this, cost for the size requested is \$60. D Schroeder made motion to sponsor an ad in the sports catalog, B Claycomb second. C Lipsie motioned the ALR will give \$20 towards this. T Bartlebaugh motioned he will give \$40 towards this add as well. So all money for the add was donated.

D Lipsie mentioned there is another group in Lincoln County, Jenny Walters at H.S is putting a directory together of veteran assistance programs and contact information.

Service Officer – C Hopkins, no updates

Commander: New member Dave Bailey and his wife Jeannie have picked up the Operation Stand Down food donations to our veterans in the county. They are always looking for any other vets in the area to support, if you know of any that are looking for help please let them know.

Commander discussed the different election positions and was accepting nominations for these positions. **The following individuals were nominated**:

- K Schroeder nominated for Commander he accepted nomination
- C Lipsie stated he will not accept any nominations
- L Parks will not run for office either
- C Hopkins nominated for Service Officer accepted nomination
- T McConnell nominated for Service Officer accepted nomination

- R Shields nominated for 1st Vice accepted nomination
- T Bartlebaugh nominated for 2nd Vice accepted nomination
- S Cooper nominated for Chaplain accepted nomination
- B Locklear nominated for Finance accepted nomination
- L Herring nominated for Sgt at Arms he is not present but has accepted via phone
- J Marciello nominated for Adjutant he has accepted

Next meeting we will have more nominations AND ELECTIONS

B Claycomb made a presention to the Post and Commander accepted the donation, he also donated 4 folding chairs and some metal pans

Motion made to adjourn POW/MIA flag retired Prayer from Chaplain Meeting Adjourned 1920

Minutes respectfully submitted to D Schroeder, Adjutant 1 April 2022