

Minutes Regular Meeting Ottawa American Legion Post 33 Monday, December 06, 2021

- I. Called to Order by Commander (Cmdr.) Tom Przybyla at 1900 Hours. Standard Opening Procedures (Salute to Colors; Chaplain's prayer; POW/MIA chair; Preamble.)
- II. Roll call: All present except: PC/Gaming Ray Gerkitz; Judge Advocate (vacant). 14 = Quorum.
- III. Prepared Minutes. Motion/Waive Reading Bob Cupples; 2nd, Dave Kennedy. Passed (U)
- IV. New Members: ADJ Duback: 1. Kevin McDonald, Army, Gulf. 2. Alan Borisek, Army, Vietnam. Recruiter, Duback. 3. Mark Harkins, Transfer in from Post 237. 4. Ken Troyan, Army, Vietnam, transfer in from McNabb. 5. Patrick Grommon, Army, Global War on Terrorism; Recruiter Commander Przybyla. Motion/accept by Harvey Clemens; 2nd, Cupples. Passed (U)
- V. Committee Report (N.B.: All finance figures placed on file.)
- VI. A. Ron Slafer, Finance Officer: Transferred \$50,000 to 6-month CD from Video; released in May to be used for new roof repairs. Bingo: Good profit month; balance stated. Building fund: more out than in, due to elevator repairs; good balance. Honor Guard: profit, also; good balance. All account balance reported. Motion/accept Clemens; 2nd, Jerry Sexton. (P/U)
- B. Dave Kennedy, Service Officer: Income from "Black Box" (donated loose change from gaming area) reported; good balance stated. M/Accept, Cupples; 2nd, Clemens. (P)(U)
- C. Slafer/Gaming: Pull Tabs, plus month; balance given. Video: good amount in; CD monies out; good balance remains. Motion/accept Kennedy; 2nd, Bob Olson. Passed (U)
- D. Jay Hamalle, Bar Manager: October Reported, then November. Both good net profit, with balance stated. Motion/accept Olson; 2nd Cupples. Passed Unanimously
- E. Matt Weaver, Technology: Switching over to MediaCom bundle package for phone, TV, and internet. Faster speeds, safer, and we save money vs AT&T split we have now. (Noted, that sometimes MediaCom has outages; judged to be rare.) Slafer: Post will pay for half of year; bar account pays other half (like we do with garbage bill now.) Motion to accept by Clemens; 2nd Tom Shea. Passed (U)
- VII. New Business and Correspondence
 - A. We welcome Vic Hackler Sr as our new Sgt/Arms!
 - B. Christmas gifts to bartenders and Bingo Workers: discussion. Motion to gift \$50 each (bar account pays for the bartenders; Bingo fund, for the Bingo workers) by Clemens; 2nd, Sexton. Passed (P) Unanimously (U)
 - C. Donation Request (D.R.), Freezin' for a Reezin'. Discussion. Motion of \$200 by Olson; 2nd, Clemens. Passed (U)
 - D. Multiple Memorial checks received in honor of Arthur Barron, nearly 101-year-old Life Member of Post 33. Adjutant to provide "Thank You" responses.
 - E. Maintenance man needed. Discussion: No keys to building; repairs during open hours, or officers present. \$10/hour, "On-Call" status. Motion to hire Rich Ferguson by Bob Cupples; 2nd, Brent Schueler. Passed (U)
 - F. Ottawa First provided a \$500 check to the Honor Guard, for our services to the community and 4th of July Color Guard support.
 - G. Gifts to Yanks: Motion/Slafer \$10 to each nursing home veteran; 2nd, Clemens. (P) (U)

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- H. Executive Board approved expanding weekday opening hours to 11:00 AM; still 10 AM weekends by Weaver; 2nd, Clemens. (P) (U). New hours will be posted; Weaver will prepare and have Adjutant post.
- I. Membership update: We are at 81.50%; thank you to SrVice Weaver and ADJ Duback.
- J. Army vs. Navy game this Saturday. Jay Hamalle: will have assorted snack food available; raffle prizes, and of course, peanuts-in-the-shell, to throw on the floor for the "losers" to sweep up. Game at 2 PM.
- K. Courtesy needed: keep Commander informed of any special project moves ahead of time! (E.G.: Thought grill was missing; resolved now.)
- L. Pearl Harbor Day ceremony tomorrow (Tuesday 12/07) 9AM at the VFW Post 2470. Full uniform.
- M. Esther's is closing. Large 2-door freezer available at \$700. Trustees to examine.
- VIII. Departed Members/Veterans: 1. William "Bill" Buckingham; 2. Glenn Nanouski; 3. Dennis Kielan. Prayers by Chaplain Bob Cupples.
- IX. Standard Closing Procedures (Prayer, Chaplain Cupples; Salute to Colors.)
- X. Adjournment at 1931 Hours.

Drawings: #900: Ron Tardio

#288: Robert Marshall, absent.