

Minutes Regular Meeting Ottawa American Legion Post 33 Tuesday September 5 , 2023

1. **Call to order:** Senior Vice Tom Shea at 1700 Hours. (Meeting Recorded.) Standard Opening Procedures. (Salute to Colors; POW/MIA Chair; Preamble.)
2. **Roll call:** Cmdr Matt Weaver, excused absent, SrVice Tom Shea, JrVice Jay Sinde, excused absent, Finance Officer Ron Slafer, excused absent, Adjutant Mike Harden, Trustee Bob Olson, Trustee Tom Przybyla, Trustee Ted Jenkins, Member-at-Large Bob Cokley, Sergeant at Arms Ted Jenkins, Service Officer Dave Kennedy, Chaplain Ken Troyan, Judge Advocate Ed Stash, excused absent, Past Commander John Duback.
3. **Previous Month's Minutes:** A motion by Dave Kennedy to except the previous month's minutes and seconded by Bob Cokley. (Passed)
4. **Guests and New Members:** Jeff Worley and Laura Worley welcomed.
5. **Committee Reports:** The following reports were given by SrVice Tom Shea; Bingo, Honor Guard, Gaming; Pull tabs and Video Gaming. Positive/month & balances stated. A motion by Bob Olson to except the reports and seconded by Tom Przybyla. (Passed) The Bar report was given by Jay Hamalle the balances were given which gave the Bar showing a loss for the month. Question was raised by Dave Kennedy as to why the loss. The Bar manager said because of a slow month. A motion to accept the Bar report was made by Bob Cokley and seconded by Jerry Sexton. (Passed).
6. **Sick Call:** James Murphy Sr. A report from Matt Weaver said he has taken a fall, does not require surgery, but will take some time to heal.
7. **Correspondence and Donations:** : OHS Girls Volley for Vets, we will give 2 Flags along with cash not to exceed last year's amount, was \$100.00 dollars Motion made by Bob Olson and seconded by Tom Przybyla. National Museum of the United States \$100.00 dollars Motion by Tom Przybyla seconded by Bob Olson. Girls Fast pitch softball \$350.00 dollars Motion by Bob Cokley Seconded by Ken Troyan. United Way Labor of Love \$200.00 dollars Motion by Jerry Sexton Seconded by Tom Przybyla. Operation Firm Handshake \$100.00 dollars Motion by Ken Troyan Seconded by Bob Cokley. Special Salute adds in the Times paper, Patriot Day September 11th and Special Salute to the Fire Fighters September 20th, to run these two ads will be a total of \$170.00 dollars. Motion by Tom Przybyla seconded by Jim Pool. All donation (Passed)
8. **New Business:** Constitution/By Laws committee Request Input. Membership participation is encouraged. Please address any proposed changes in writing to Adjutant Mike Harden, who will forward them to the committee. Submit these items by October 2, 2023 post meeting. (A topic heading and general idea of proposed change will be sufficient; the committee will develop the final language.)
 - a. Need to use Roberts Rule of order during all meetings. Training to follow.
 - b. It has been brought up that the Post does not have (No Fire Arms) signage on entrance door.
 - c. Some bartenders have not been accepting credit card for payment of goods. Needs to be corrected.
 - d. The American Boy Scouts will be having their Camporee on 22 – 24 September. They will be using the Legion Post to build Little Library book centers here at the Post on Saturday 23 September. We are needing members that can help with the construction of these centers on that Saturday. We will have a sign-up sheet in the front lobby area to sign up.
 - e. Question was brought about looking into getting a new light up sign for the Post. We need to find out what is permitted by the city.

- f. There will be a meeting in mid-September on this year's Vigil in the park. Date to be determined.
9. **New Members Joining or Transferring:** Mike Pagakis, Wayne Daugherty. Transferring into the post Wayne Haynes. Motion to except new members by Tom Przybyla seconded by Cokley.
10. **Memorial to departed members:** Charles Bower U.S. Army, Robert (Bob) Cupples U.S. Marines, Terry Giannoni U.S. Army. Prayer for departed members given by Chaplain Ken Troyan.
11. **Closing Prayer:** Chaplain Ken Troyan.
12. **Meeting adjourned:** 1745 Hours.

Ticket winner 091 Charles Sanders

Members drawing winner: 561 **Laura Worley Present**