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GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES <u>Post # 60 January 13, 2010</u>

The January 2010 General Membership meeting was called to order by Commander Jack Knoblock at 6:50 PM. Members present were, John Pearson,, Mike Keithly, Dick Carter, Rod Miller, Dennis Marquet, John Ernsberger, Jack Creason, Wes Harding, Joe Shoplock, George Greenfield, Arron Helmick, John Bear, Terry O'Keeffe, Jack Knoblock, Joe Posluszny and Ken Charles.

Our opening prayer was given by our Post Chaplin, Mr. Jack Creason.. The gentlemen of American Legion Post # 60 would like to extend our warmest thanks to the Ladies Auxiliary for the terrific side dishes and desserts.

The minutes from our December 9 General Meeting were read. There was one correction to the minutes. The correction was to change the wording from Mark Rowland's donation to The Friends of the White Water Park Assoc. donation. After the correction was made Mike Keithly made a motion to accept the minutes as corrected. The motion was seconded by Joe Posluszny. Approved by all.

Finance Report:

Wes Hardin. gave a breakdown of our finances with a total of 33,209.75 in our various accounts. Even thou we are short over last year by \$4000.00 we are still in pretty good shape Wes will e-mail the breakdown to the members. Mike Keithly made a motion to accept the finance report as is. It was seconded by Joe Posluszny Agreed by all.

Post Service Officer Report:

Terry O'Keeffe reported that since the district has changed the dates of the Oratorical, Post # 60 will not be sending a student to the competition this year. The post will turn its attention toward Boys State.

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Adjutant Report:

Since I have not been available for the past two months, and really have no idea what is going on. I will not be able to give any type of report. Commander Knoblock has advised me that he has sent out 41 reminder requesting members to pay their dues. Joe Posluszny made a motion since our long time member Charlie Ritchie is sick and can't really afford to pay his dues. The Post should pay Charlies dues for him. Mike Keithly seconded the motion. This was approved by all members. Wes Hardin indicated that he was going to send the remainder of the unpaid dues for 12 members to the state. That should bring us up to date as far as the state is concerned.

Valley County Service officer:

Major Mike stated that he has made many phone calls around the county checking on our veterans who may need some help. He also is working with the widows of the veteran. This is all in line with his Veterans Assistance Funds Program. Mike is constantly working for us to obtain all the benefits we are entitled too. Major Mike read the General Meeting attendees, a report that he has filed with the Valley County Board of Commissioners.

NEW BUSINESS;

Annual Report for 2009

Major Mike Compiled and read to the meeting a complete report of the activities that Post # 60 was involved in during 2009. This report was passed out to the members.

FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE REPORT:

The Fundraising committee meet on January 9, 2010 at the post. The falling members were present, Jack Knoblock, Mike Keithly, Joe Posluszny, John Pearson, Wes Hardin. The goal of this committee is to form events that will bring in at least \$8000.00 for the year 2010.

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The committee has decided that we will hold a Chili Cook Off. The bar will be open and the Auxiliary will have a dessert auction, to support and raise money for Boy's and Girls State Scholarship Program.

The committee has also decided to bring back Cinco de Mayo on May 8, 2010 in hopes to raise \$4000.00

There was talk about having a "Community Mixer " The committee decided instead of that, we would go in partnership with the Cascade Chamber of Commerce to host a Casino Night sometime in late July. The Details will be worked out at a later date.

Also there is an expressed desire to have a New Years Eve party. This will be reevaluated in two months.

Commander Knoblock brought up the fact that some local business had requested our Friday night menu be posted somewhere in town, maybe on our bulletin board. After a short discussion we decided not to post our menu

Joe Posluszny attempted to explain the money that was spent on special events, after a short discussion, we decided that this would be an issue for the Executive Committee to handle.

OLD BUSINESS:

The News Letter and Web Site should be up by the end of the month.

There being no other business, at this time. The closing prayer was given by Jack Creason. The General Meeting for January 2010 was adjourned at 8:00 PM by Commander Jack Knoblock.

Respectfully Submitted,

Ken Charles, Post Adjutant.