

## **American Legion Post 60**

Minutes of the General Meeting May 9, 2012

1<sup>st</sup> vice Commander John Pearson called the meeting to order at 1850 hours. The following officers were present: 1<sup>st</sup> vice Commander John Pearson, Adjutant Terry O'Keeffe, Sgt. at Arms Ed Bulgin, members at large Jack Knoblock and Archie Banbury. There were eleven additional members present.

The minutes from the General meeting of April 11, 2012 had been previously distributed to the membership. The motion was made by Ed Bulgin and seconded by Archie Banbury to approve the minutes as submitted. The motion passed.

### **Finance Report**

The finance report was presented by Jack Knoblock. There is approximately \$14,000 in the operating funds currently. The motion was made by Archie Banbury and seconded by Al Gailey to move \$10,000 from the operating account into the savings account. The motion passed.

In addition to the monthly "Cash Report" the membership will be provided with a current "Profit and Loss" statement at the general meetings

### **Adjutant Report**

Terry O'Keeffe reported we currently have 177 members. New member Ross Vaughn joined at the Cinco de Mayo fund raiser event. Ginny Eggleston has recently filed to transfer to the Cascade post. Twenty three of our members still have not paid their 2012 dues.

### **1<sup>st</sup> Vice Commander Report**

The 1<sup>st</sup> vice Commander is leaving for two weeks. We need to make sure we have enough volunteers to cover any upcoming events.

### **Post Service Officer Report**

Jack Knoblock reported that we normally provide a \$500 scholarship to a student at Cascade High School. We also provide a citizenship award to three grade levels at the Cascade School. The award had been in the form of a \$50 savings bond. That is no longer possible, so the award will now be \$50 cash. Service Officer Rob Garrison should be contacting the staff at the school to determine interest in the scholarship and candidates for the citizenship awards.

### **Old Business**

It was necessary to review the motion made and passed at our March General meeting to vote on the nominees for Post Officers. The "Members-at-Large" were referred to as appointed officers, who according to this Post's By-Laws are required to be elected as well, not appointed by the Post Commander. The motion was made by Joe Posluszny seconded by Dennis Marguet that the minutes for the April 11, 2012 general meeting be amended to state that the office of member at large is an elected office as opposed to an appointed office, and that the persons nominated for that office, Jack Knoblock and Archie Banbury be elected by acclamation. The motion passed.

The newly elected officers will be sworn in at the June general meeting. Al Noyes reported that he would not be available to officiate at the ceremonies due to his involvement with Boys State at the same time. Hugh Summerton will be contacted to see if he is available to officiate at the ceremonies.

Jack Knoblock reported that the Cinco de Mayo fund raising event was successful. Between the donation of \$5555 by Mark and Kristina Pickard and funds generated by the event, we netted \$11,466.24.

Tabitha Holden has been awarded a four year NROTC scholarship and will be attending Washington State University. Both Tabitha and her family attended the dinner prior to tonight's general meeting. Tabitha expressed her gratitude for the posts support of her attaining this goal.

## **New Business**

The motion was made by Joe Posluszny and seconded by Jack Knoblock to donated \$100 to the library summer reading program. The motion passed.

The Memorial Day services on May 28<sup>th</sup> will be coordinated to include a "fly over". Post Commander Keithly feels he will be able to fulfill the Post Commanders position by that time. Either John Pearson or Jack Knoblock will function as the Chaplin. Terry O'Keeffe will be the firing detail commander. Ed Bulgin will be the bugler. Seven riflemen will need to be identified prior to the event.

Joe Posluszny made a motion, seconded by Archie Banbury that the post buys \$200 advertizing on the Four Summit Bicycle event "T" shirt. There was discussion on how the Four Summit event and the funds raised benefits the community. After discussion the motion passed.

There being no further business to conduct, the meeting was adjourned at 1937 hours.

Respectfully submitted

*Terry O'Keeffe*

Adjutant