# **American Legion Post 60**

Minutes of the General Meeting February 13, 2013

Post Commander Keithly called the meeting to order at 1913 hours. The following officers were present: Post Commander Mike Keithly, 1<sup>st</sup> vice Commander John Pearson, Adjutant Terry O'Keeffe, Sgt. at Arms Ed Bulgin, and Members at large Jack Knoblock and Archie Banbury. There were 14 additional members present.

The minutes from the General meeting of January 9, 2013 had been previously distributed to the membership, though several members reported they had not received them. The motion was made by Jack Knoblock and seconded by Archie Banbury to approve the minutes as submitted. The motion passed.

New member Owen Mink and recent transferee Jim Kirch were given the opportunity to address the membership. Owen is a veteran of the Korean conflict and Jim is a retired Navy Chief. Both were welcomed to Post 60.

## **Finance Report**

Post Commander presented the Finance Officers report. A motion was made by Ed Bulgin, seconded by Archie Banbury to accept the Finance Officers report as submitted. The motion passed

## **Adjutant Report**

Terry O'Keeffe reported the post has 172 members. Approximately 87% of the members have paid their 2013 dues and we are at 96% for the Departments membership goal. The indicted membership of Post 60 and the National records have been successfully reconciled.

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

John Pearson reported we will be having Friday night dinners every Friday unless otherwise posted. Please sign up on the volunteer sheets, posted out in the front entryway for those jobs on Friday nights when you can volunteer. Robin Miller has taken over coordinating volunteers for decorating, set-up and cashiers. John Pearson coordinates volunteers for bartenders and dishwashers, and Joe Posluszny coordinates the kitchen crew, servers and/or table busing. Contact these folks if you'd like to volunteer.

The following upcoming events were discussed: Cascade Jamboree Fun Run on 16 February, catered dinner and bar; West Mountain Snowmobile State Ride on 2 March, catered dinner and bar; KWP hosts the Cascade Economic Summit meeting on 16 March at the Post, no meal; Wounded Warrior Snowmobile Ride in McCall on 23 March, nothing at the Post; Post 60 hosts the 9<sup>th</sup> District meeting on 20 April, catered lunch; we will have our annual Cinco de Mayo fundraiser on 4 May; Post will provide a catered dinner and bar for the PTO's Teacher Appreciation event on 7 May.

# 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Commander Report

Post Commander Keithly reported the first storage committee meeting took place last week. The Post has limited space for storage and an additional storage building is cost prohibitive. We will be putting overhead cabinets in the building and working in pantry to reorganize the existing space. We will also be overhauling the back storage room.

#### **Post Service Officer Report**

Post commander Keithly reported the date has been announced for Boys State. We will send up to three boys.

There appears to be the normal scheduling conflict between the Oratorical contest and local school sporting events.

## **Valley County Service Officer**

The Valley County Service Officer, Mike Keithly went to the County Commissioners meeting and gave them a report on what we have been doing for the community. The Commissioners were impressed and did not think the County's contribution was adequate.

Archie Banbury explained why the County provides the funds.

## **Old Business**

If you haven't already done so, please complete and send in your questionnaire concerning the Post's performance and suggestions for improvements. Jack will brief the Executive Committee at their next regular meeting on responses received.

#### **New Business**

Thanks to Paul Meyers and John Ernsberger, our Post 60 Web Page is being rejuvenated and in the near future members can access it to retrieve information regarding meeting agendas, minutes of meetings and links to many other areas of interest. Paul made a presentation to Post 60 Legionnaires and Auxiliary prior to tonight's meeting. The presentation was well received by all of those present.

Tim O'Leary is presenting a series of sessions after our Friday night dinners on "energy efficiency". His first one was on 8 February, then on 15 and 22 February, with the last one on 1 March.

Jack Knoblock and John Ernsberger, as this Post's nominating committee, are interviewing interested members. Once they have nominated prospective members to these billets, we will have an election during our May meeting. The new officers will be installed during our June meeting.

The meetings of the Executive Committee are being moved to 1:00 pm on the last Tuesday of the month. All members are welcome to attend those meetings.

There being no further business to conduct, the meeting was adjourned at 2005 hours.

Respectfully submitted

Jerry O'Keeffe

Adjutant