

THE LEGIONNAIRE

OCTOBER 2022



BOARD MEETING at 6:30pm

MEETING:

Wednesday, October 5, 2022 at 7:00pm

MINUTES OF (DATE HERE)

The meeting was opened in proper form with 22 members attending. The charter was draped for Wally Schave. Commander Ron Kociba opened the meeting with the following comments, some progress made on hall clean up must continue working on this, we need to look professional. Ron also stated that we are looking to replace the four heavy tables along the wall in the meeting room with four new tables if anyone would like to purchase, we would ask \$25.00 each, also if anyone would like to donate a table or money towards a table it would be great. The meeting minutes of August were read by the adjutant and were approved as read. The financial report was given by finance officer Al Kleinknecht. Al is in the process of cleaning up the report and requested a motion to close some accounts and move into others, motion made by Steve Oglenski and 2nd by Herb Phelps permission granted to clean up the report. Financial report approved by Dan Lemanski 2nd by Herb Phelps. Hall rental doing ok. Service officer Jim Leiby reported that he will need help starting at 9am on the 15th to make the chili also this year we will serve corn bread and lemon aid for the

children on the 17th will need help setting up and serving on this date. Jim also mentioned that Tim Robinson has a 50cal machine gun see Tim if you would like to look at it. Chaplin reported all ok but if you know of anyone in need contact him. Herb Phelps reported that we have \$1,128.53 in the refreshment account. Sargent at arms would like to thank all who attend the memorial services and the raising of the flag before all home games. Membership 25 PUFL, 112 regular for a total of 137. 63 members paid 2023 dues.

Committee reports: fund raising, Bill Wells reported we are doing well on the selling of the moped tickets please turn in all tickets before the 17th also Bill purchased some business cards to pass out to anyone that would be interested in becoming a member.

Building committee: reported that the grant application for the ramp repair or replacement has been turned in and the approval looks good.

Cemetery: George Wessels reported we have total of 758 to date.

New business: Up coming events November 12th dinner at the hall gather at 6pm with dinner at 7pm tickets will be on sale soon. Ron Kociba will get with the school to set up plans for Veteran day.

Unfinished business: We will set up a time to meet and update the documents needing update

A WORD FROM THE COMMANDER

Fellow Legionnaires:

Great news, we have recently been informed that we have been awarded a Grant from the Huron County Community Foundation. The amount of our Grant is \$3000.

I was very proud and privileged to accept this grant in the name of American Legion Post 197. I want to thank all of the committee members that helped collect information in to enable us to secure this Grant.

The purpose of this grant is to allow us to replace our aging Handicap ramp on the East side of the building. This is an important step in improving the appearance and useability of our facilities.

There will be a lot of work involved in constructing the new ramp and improved landing. Planning has already started but the main construction work will begin in early spring. Thanks in advance for the volunteers who will help with this improvement.

This project will be another important step in maintaining and improving our Post Home facilities that we will be proud of.

God bless America

Commander Ron Kociba

BURHANS HAGEDON UNIT 197
American Legion Auxiliary Harbor Beach

September 27, 2022 Meeting Notes

Unit 197 meeting opened at 1:00 pm on Tuesday September 27 by President Barb Ayotte . Pledge of Allegiance to the flag and Preamble recited by all. Eight members present . Sally Koehn Chaplain led us in prayer. A moment of silence for our deceased members was done. Minutes of our last meeting was read by Jane Volmering Secretary . Approved as read. Carol Sopczynski submitted bill. Lou Lemanski made motion to pay bills and Rebekah Piotrowski seconded motion carried . All ayes
We took a vote to bring back the tea for each meeting unanimous approved all ayes. Lou Lemanski will bring the snack for next meeting. Our Christmas party Barb Ayotte and Lou Lemanski will shop for our prizes for bingo . Also look around for a white elephant prize . Remember school supplies for our boxes. This is instead of our gift exchange .
Lou Lemanski gave a bingo report . Doing well was able to buy a grill with the concessions money .
Lynda Buchkowski gave membership report. We have 25 members paid, our goal is 70
50/50 drawing won by Carol Sopczynski 10.00
Reminder by Linda Kociba Veterans Dinner November 12. th at 5:30 pm social hour with dinner to follow. Dinner tickets 12.00

Norma Bozak made a Quilt donation for our raffle at this event .
Next meeting October 25 at 1:00 pm
Sally Koehn Chaplain had a closing prayer.
Barb Ayotte read words of inspiration .Meeting closed at 2 pm . Submitted by Jane Volmering Secretary

CORRESPONDENCE

Thank from Victor Winkle family. Thank you from Dillan Zurek for scholarship. Tee shirt offer sign up after meeting.

ATTENDANCE DRAWING

DRAWINGS:
\$10.00 STEVE OGLENSKI.
ATTENDANCE: \$55.00 JAMES HESSLING ABSENT.
50/50 \$25.00 RON DREHER

HALL RENTAL

Please contact **Ron Volmering** at (989)551-9061

MEMBERSHIP

Membership as of Xxxxx, x 2019
25 PUFL
112 Reg
137 Total
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