

VFW POST 10262
Post Meeting Minutes
13 February 2017

Meeting was called to order by Senior Vice Commander Tessmann: at 1900 hrs.

Opening Prayer – Read by Chaplin Raschka.

Charter is Re-Draped none.

Pledge of Allegiance -- Was recited by all.

Guests – None

RECITATION OF Section 230102 of the Congressional Charter: Was recited by all.

Roll Call of Officers

Present	10
Excused	1
Absent	2
VFW Members Present	27

Membership Statistics, Applications, Transfers and Swearing In Of New Members

No new members.

Membership Stats: As of 2/12/17

Post 10262 194 of 224	87%
District 7	93%
Wisconsin	93%
National	91%

Comrade Matthees spoke of the recent removal of deceased veterans from the VFW roles and that we need to check to insure the post is not penalized in membership.

Submissions of Meeting Minutes of previous month - January Minutes were accepted as published.

Quartermaster Report

- Quartermaster Cline reported the financial report.
- **Motion to Accept:** by Comrade Mugridge. Second by Comrade Halverson. Motion passed.

SERVICE OFFICER REPORT. Comrade Mockler.

- Briefed on Veteran's Choice program. Seems to be going a little smoother, but travel can be an inconvenience to the veteran.

Post Members or Post Family Members in Distress

- Comrade Dave Hanson having surgery soon.

Committee Reports:

House Committee:

Comrade Mockler briefed a number of issues;

1. Diane Lutovski donated set of steel shelves for the canteen cooler.
2. Discussion about the air-conditioner unit outside that it may also need to be updated. Comrade Mockler will review the concern with Comrade Gauthier.

Rifle Squad

Comrade Mocker briefed.

- 2 Funeral's past month.
- Rifles were gone over the past month and fixed.

Comrade Verhage briefed on the monthly breakfast.

- 172 meals served with a \$517 profit in January.

Communications from the Adjutant

Comrade Stoflet updated on the reported volunteer hours.

Feb 12, 2017

Total Reports: 140

Total Members: 645

Total Hours: 1,744

Total Miles: 6,050

Total Cost: \$12,464

Golf Outing. Comrade Stoflet. No report.

Scholarships. Comrade Zynda. No report

CITIZENSHIP & EDUCATION / YOUTH DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE: Comrade Cahill

- Comrade Stoflet briefed to let the commander know if your interested in participating in the Teacher of the Year award.

SCOUT OF THE YEAR: No Report.

MAP (Dye) B / 1-120th Unit Members and Families thank the Post for allowing them to use the facility for the upcoming Spaghetti Dinner on March 11th.

Poppy Committee; Comrade Mugridge. No report.

Surgeon; Comrade Yelkin. No report.

Donations Committee Comrade Halverson made motion of donate \$100 to the Black Sox baseball team. Comrade Zynda seconded. Motion Passed.

Comrade Halverson motion to donate \$250 to the Vietnam Veterans Day celebration held at the post on April 1st. Comrade Mocker seconded. Motion carried.

9:00 pm prayer was recited by Chaplain Rashka.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- Homeless Vet's "Welcome Home" updated by Senior Vice Tessmann from handout by Commander Cahill.

Comrade Strasser motioned that the membership discuss the possibility of supporting the Homeless Veteran Home. Comrade Mugridge seconded.

Discussion on the merits of the project with questions/concerns being (Phone Call was made to the Commander to answer questions on the project.)

1. Who is paying for the insurance.
2. How much are renters expected to pay.
3. Who will manage the home and determine the maintenance needs to be done.
4. Who will be on the title of the home? Answer: Post 10262.
5. The idea of the project will be that funds will be raised to manage the property.
6. The Post will write the rules governing the home and operations.
7. Commander Cahill stated that he would be the lead on the committee.
8. Commander Cahill stated that a vote needs to be done to determine if there is support for the project. A positive vote than would allow him to go to the Dept (WI VFW) and Coldwell Banker to start the process of drawing up an agreement between the parties. It will also be the time for the Post to develop it's rules for the home. The Dept Judge Advocate will help with the paperwork portion. It also will allow Coldwell Banker to find a home.
9. Commander Cahill stated that any post member that had concerns could be at the post this Saturday February 18th to ask the Dept Judge Advocate any questions.
10. It was recommended that we hire a management company to manage the property.
11. Further discussions that the Post Judge Advocate be involved and that the Commander has not reviewed any documents with him yet.
12. Commander stated that this vote would only allow the Commander to continue the process with the Dept and Coldwell Banker. Without the support on the principle of the idea from the post membership, the planning/discussion cannot go forward.
13. The idea behind the project is that fundraising from the VFW working with Coldwell Banker will fund the project.

Comrade Halverson motioned to table. Comrade Zynda seconded. Motioned carried.

Membership asked for more information on how something like this works to include history of past projects.

- Post coins were just delivered today and will be handed out next month.
- No update on the Post Baseball Cap.

NEW BUSINESS:

- None.

Good of the order:

- Post is selling tickets for the Dept VFW Raffle.
- Post Officer Training Feb 18th @ Plover VFW. Training will be conducted by Dept Judge Advocate and 7th District Commander. Pizza served at noon, training will start right after pizza.
- Post officer's nominations for the next year begins with the first round at the March meeting. Post elections take place in April followed by swearing in May.

- Comrade Bredow presented \$200 receipt from “Operation Bootstrap” for food donation from the Post Christmas Party.
- Comrade Strasser passed on note that the Elk’s is holding a spaghetti fundraiser on Feb 23rd for SPASH.
- Comrade Matthees spoke of the Dept Senior Vice Commander, John Schultz would give a presentation of Veterans Benefits that could involve an open invitation to all Portage County Veterans.
- Rifle Squad Breakfast moved to April 23 so not to conflict with Easter Sunday.

Birthdays and Anniversaries – Were read by the Senior Vice Commander.

Closing Prayer was recited by Chaplain Rashka.

Adjournment – At 2017 hrs.

Next Meeting Mar 13, 2017 at 19:00 hours.

Respectfully submitted by:

Ron Stoflet
Adjutant

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Sunday, February 19

08:30

Rifle Squad Steak Breakfast

Thursday, February 23

19:00

AMVETS Meeting

Monday, February 27

19:00

PLAV Meeting

Tuesday, February 28

17:30

VFW Senior Leadership Meeting

Tuesday, March 7

19:00

DAV Meeting

Monday, March 13

19:00

Auxilliary Meeting

19:00

Post Meeting

Sunday, March 19

08:30

Rifle Squad Steak Breakfast

Thursday, March 23

19:00

AMVETS Meeting

Monday, March 27

19:00

PLAV Meeting

Tuesday, March 28

17:30

VFW Senior Leadership Meeting

Tuesday, April 4

19:00

DAV Meeting

Monday, April 10

19:00

Auxilliary Meeting

19:00

Post Meeting

Sunday, April 16

08:30

Rifle Squad Steak Breakfast

Monday, April 24

19:00

PLAV Meeting

Tuesday, April 25

17:30

VFW Senior Leadership Meeting

Thursday, April 27

19:00

AMVETS Meeting

Tuesday, May 2, 2017

19:00

DAV Meeting

Monday, May 8, 2017

19:00

Auxilliary Meeting

19:00

Post Meeting

Monday, May 22, 2017

19:00

PLAV Meeting

Tuesday, May 23, 2017

17:30

VFW Senior Leadership Meeting

Thursday, May 25, 2017

19:00

AMVETS Meeting

Tuesday, June 6, 2017

19:00

DAV Meeting

Monday, June 12, 2017

19:00

Auxilliary Meeting

19:00

Post Meeting

Thursday, June 22, 2017

19:00

AMVETS Meeting

Monday, June 26, 2017

19:00

PLAV Meeting