

Minutes of meeting of American Legion Post 314 held on Thursday, March 23, 2023

The Commander called the meeting to order at 7:05 PM. The opening ceremonies include the pledge of allegiance were performed.

Roll Call was conducted. 10 members were present including 5 officers.

The minutes from the January meeting were read and approved.

Committee reports were given as follows:

ABC -	Tom Slowinski	no report
Americanism -	Tim Reeg	no report
Bar -	Tom Slowinski	no report
Baseball -	Tim Leary	Joe Coult r

Baseball - Tim Leary Joe Coult reported that he will attend the County Meeting on

Saturday and get more information on contacting Rick Freeman. Tim will research the availability of a coach.

Boy Scouts - Joe Coult no report

Boy's State - Tom Slowinski reported that the entry fee has

increased to \$300 per candidate and will be due in advance. We may have as many as 7 candidates and are

hoping to have at least 5.

Children & Youth - No Chairman no report
Color Guard Tim Leary no report
Const. & By-Laws - Joe Coult no report

Convention - No Chairman Joe Coult said he will try to find a

suitable location at a reasonable

price.

Educ. & Scholarships - Tom Slowinski no report House & Grounds - Joe Coult no report

Legion College - Joe Coult reported that Legion College will take

place during the third weekend in April. The Post will subsidize

members who attend.

Legislative - No Chairman no report

Membership - Elizabeth Yull reported that the Post has 78 active

members including a few who have

not paid this year's dues.

Memorial Services & Graves - No Chairman no report Parades & Special Events - No Chairman no report POW-MIA - Mert Trombly no report
Public Relations - Joe Coult no report
S.A.L. - Joe Coult no report
Service Officer Mert Trombly no report
Veterans Affairs & Rehab No Chairman no report

Ways & Means - Tom Slowinski 3 sets of HOPE tickets are available.

## Executive Committee - no report

The financial report was given as follows: A net loss for February of \$1,895.62 including a monthly transfer of \$1,000 to the Capital Building account. The report was approved as read.

Sick Call and Relief

No report

Unfinished business:

Purchase of bar stools has been tabled until a determination about the remediation of the post home is made.

## **New Business:**

The Commander suggested that the Post amend its smoking policy to now prohibit smoking inside the Post home with the caveat that the game room can be used for smoking when smoking outside is unreasonable. A motion was made, seconded and unanimously approved. The policy will take effect on May 1, 2023.

Because there is no immediate solution to rehabilitation of the Post Home, it is suggested that the Post form a building committee to decide on how the Post should proceed. Some alternatives to rehabilitation would be to build a new building or to relocate. A committee consisting of 5 members, Tom Slowinski, Tin Reeg, Joe Coult, Jim Minch and George Breece was formed and will meet at 6:30 on Thursday, April 6. Post, SAL and Auxiliary members are invited.

## For the Good of the Legion:

Trenton Thunder is looking for a local hero to be photographed along with other local heroes for a promotional baseball card on Thursday, June 23. If interested, contact the Commander. Our color guard will present the flag.

The monthly drawing was conducted. Ray Gamache Jr.'s name was drawn. As he was not present, next month's drawing will be for \$450.

The National Guard Enlisted association is having its annual golf outing. A motion was made, seconded and approved to donate \$100 as a hole sponsor.

The Commander ended the meeting at 7:45 PM with standard closing ceremonies.

Respectfully submitted for God and Country,

Joseph Coult, Adjutant Merger County American Legion Post 314