

February 18, 2025

MINUTES OF HENRY D. LYTLE, POST 2136, VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS OF THE UNITED STATES FOR THE MEETING of January 21, 2025

OPENING CEREMONIES Prayer: Commander McFerrin

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call of Officers: Officers Absent: Chaplain Barnes, and Service Officer Smith.

Motion made and seconded to approve the minutes and the Quartermaster's report.

FEBRUARY BANK BALANCES

General Fund	\$2262.12
Relief Fund	\$1923.44
Building Fund CD's	\$27,377.51
Savings	<u>\$324.14</u>
Total	\$31,887.21

QUARTERMASTER'S REPORT

- **A.** I spent \$25.59 to renew the Post cellphone for the last two months.
- **B.** I paid \$23.85 to Threads for the embroidery on a new Honor Guard blazer.
- **C.** I sent a check for \$100.00 to the Commander of Post 5423 in Mountain Home for one of their members who was in a serious car accident in Wyoming.
- **D.** We received a \$50.00 donation from White/Reynolds for the Honor Guard.
- E. |
- **F.** Spent \$31.79 for a new flag base in the meeting room that fits the flagpole better.
- **G.** I ordered 30 wreaths from Wreaths Across America for Rock Creek Veteran's Cemetery for next December. The cost was \$255.00. I coordinated with the Commander, the Sr. Vice Commander and the JR. Vice Commander. I needed t order them before last Friday to get the 2 for 1 sale price.
- **H.** I ordered 40 wreaths for \$340.00 for the American Legion Post 7 and the DAV Stradley post. I have already been paid back by both organizations.

- **I.** I spent \$22.25 at Costco for 9-volt batteries for the Honor Guard bugle.
- J. I received the \$35.00 in dues for new post member Ralph Jones.
- **K.** We spent \$393.43 at Loong Hing for the Christmas party.
- **L.** We received \$21.54 from the VFW for dues renewals.
- **M.** I wrote out checks totaling \$550.00 for our winners of the Voice of Democracy and Patriot Pen essays at Xavier Charter School.
- **N.** I renewed two CD's in December and took \$500.00 out of each one and deposited \$500.00 in each of our two checking accounts.
- **O.** Turn in any Community Activity hours. Include hours, money spent, number of times you repeated an event and miles traveled and any charitable donations.

SERVICE OFFICER REPORT

Service Officer Smith is preparing for knee replacement surgery tomorrow morning.

COMRADES IN DISTRESS

Bob Jackson, Mike Barnes, Bob Smith and Jimmy Berkley

COMMITTEE REPORT

The Honor Guard has done 2 funerals so far in January. We did 66 in 2024.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- A. The VOD and PP essay awards were presented at Xavier Charter School last week.
- B. The Filer American Legion Turkey Carnival was a success. They made \$3200.00.
- C. There is a man who owns a fishing boat that does sturgeon fishing at CJ Strike. He will take veteran free of charge when he has room. The regular price is \$325.00.

NEW BUSINESS

A. We are hosting the District 6 meeting on Sunday, February 23rd at 1300 hours. We need a couple of people to help set up on Saturday and Sunday before the meeting. In the past I have bought the fried check at Smith's for the main course. Anybody attending can bring a side dish, or desert.

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GOOD OF THE ORDER

- **A.** There is a copy of the January General Orders from the State for anyone interested to read. You can also download copies for yourselves by going to the Department of Idaho website at VFWIdaho.org.
- **B.** Last fall I asked about sending donation of \$100.00 to the VFW National Home. Do we want to do that?
- **C.** Do we want to try and bring back the Auxiliary? Other Veteran organizations permit member to also be members of the Auxiliary.

- **D.** Jessica Thrall from Happy to Help set up a Facebook page for the Post. She is also going to be working on a fundraiser for us this spring.
- **E.** Jerry Burns won the 50-50 Raffle this month. There was \$64.00 in the pot to split, but Jerry put \$10.00 of his winnings back to the Post.
- **F.** Curtis Lent's name was drawn for the Attendance Drawing held this month. He wasn't present for the \$30.00. Next month it will increase to \$35.00.
- **G.** There being no further business, a motion was made and seconded to adjourn.

CLOSING CEREMONIES

Greg Bryant
Quartermaster/Adjutant