



August 20, 2024

**MINUTES OF HENRY D. LYTLE, POST 2136, VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS OF THE UNITED STATES FOR THE MEETING of July 16, 2024**

**OPENING CEREMONIES** Prayer: Chaplain Barnes

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call of Officers: Officers Absent: Commander McFerrin, Jr. Vice Commander O'Neill, 1<sup>st</sup> year Trustee Rowe, and 2<sup>nd</sup> year Trustee Barrow.

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

**JULY 31 BANK BALANCES**

General Fund	\$1683.59
Relief Fund	\$3636.86
Building Fund CD's	\$25,386.10
Savings	<u>\$324.38</u>
Total	\$31,030.93

**QUARTERMASTER'S REPORT**

- A. I spent \$25.14 to renew the Post cellphone for another month.
- B. I spent \$17.05 at Home Depot for a package of 9 volt batteries for the Honor Guard bugle..
- C. We received \$14.24 from the VFW for a Life Member payout.
- D. I paid \$220.00 to Economy Lock for a new digital keypad lock on the Marine Corps gun safe. The Marine Corps League will reimburse us.
- E. 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**

- A. There have been 800 office interviews through June for our State Service Officers, with 990 claims filed. There have been 10,000 interviews through the state this year through

June. \$2,946,000 has paid in benefits through June. The Veteran Court in Twin Falls has 8 veterans currently in the program. There are rating changes for sleep apnea and tinnitus.

### **COMRADES IN DISTRESS**

Bob Jackson, Junior Barrow, and Jimmy Berkley.

### **COMMITTEE REPORT**

The Honor Guard has done 6 funerals since the June meeting for a total of 37 so far this year.

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**A.**

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

- A. At the June meeting I made a motion to approve a \$2000.00 donation to Rock Creek Veteran's Cemetery. Money that used to go to the cemetery from the National Guard for the Honor Guard services at Veteran funerals now goes to the VFW. I have paid the Post over \$3500.00 in the last three years that was paid to the Cemetery account. The IRS said we can't combine the Honor Guard and the Cemetery. The payments are set up through the National Guard to go to the Cemetery account and it is difficult to change. One of our CD's matures on July 17<sup>th</sup> and I will take the \$2000.00 out when I renew the CD.
- B. We will swear in new officers next month as there are four officers absent.

### **GOOD OF THE ORDER**

- A. There is a copy of the July 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](http://VFWIdaho.org).
- B. The State Raffle tickets are still available and need to be sold. We were issued 100 tickets and if we sell all 100, we receive \$200.00. Anything less and we get nothing.
- C. Greg Bryant won the 50-50 raffle this month. There was \$40 in the pot, and I left it all with the post.
- D. Eugene Brown's name was drawn for the Attendance Drawing held this month. He wasn't present for the \$35.00 in the pot. The amount in the pot will increase to \$40.00 for the August meeting.
- E. There being no further business, a motion was made and seconded to adjourn.

### **CLOSING CEREMONIES**

Greg Bryant  
Quartermaster/Adjutant