

MELVIN M. SMITH DET #586 MINUTES FOR MAY 2015

The meeting was brought to order by Commandant Morgan at 1900. Opening Ceremony was held.

Roll Call of Officers: Jr. Vice, and Judge Advocate Excused

Recognition of Past Commandants: Jim Bennet, Randy Ott, Doug Shurtleff, Dennis Dressler (Past Dept. Commandant and National Committee Member), and Dick Jamison present, Hank Melanson

Introduction of Guests: Larry Adams

Applications for Membership: Franklin Collins, applying for membership. Accepted.

Minutes of Previous Meeting: Minutes posted online. Motion to accept as posted by Bryan Smith 2nd by Bill Bean, Motion passed

Correspondence: VFW 1474 has invited Melvin M Smith Det. To their Memorial Day Ceremony on 30 May

Installation of officers: Nominations Presided over by Doug Shurtleff
Commandant, Jim Brown nominated. Elected
Sr. Vice, Pat Rowan , Manny Esparza . nominated Pat Rowan Elected 29-2
Jr. Vice, Tim Kruse, nominated Elected
Jude Advocate, Pete Denman, nominated Elected
Randy Ott, will take the tally.
Motion to accept white ballet on remaining ballots 2nd by Jim Bennet Passed

Report of Adjutant/Paymaster: May Paymaster report was read by Randy Ott. A motion was made by Bryan Smith and seconded by Louise Griffith to accept report as read. Motion passed.

Report of the Chaplin: Chaplin Town gave a report on members' health, then read list of the recently deceased.

Report of Officers: Received last quarterly roster. Anyone interested in going to National in Scottsdale. See Randy Ott.

Standing Committee Reports:

VAVS- Received a letter from Veterans Voices, A Thank for donations that allowed 81 vets to attend the hockey game.

Americanism. Book is ready just need forms.

Membership: None.

Awards: None.

Newsletter: Submitted to National for the Competition June 20 cutoff for July Posting

Coffee Stops: Sign up sheet for May 18-21 westbound June 29-30

Calling Tree: need to get updates.

Memorial Day: All Media services in Spokane have been invited and contacted. Everything Appears ready

Audit Committee: None

BSA Awards: Award for New Eagle Scouts Court of Honors 7 scouts received awards.

Toys For Tots: No final report still

Homeless Vets: .None.

Veterans Day: None.

By-law Review:

Birthday Ball: Battery is getting invite out early.

Planning Committee: No Report

Moy Society: Mike Taylor and T. J. Morgan are the nominees for MOY. Renee Raidt read the nominations for each of the applicants. Voting was tallied, announcement will be in June

Breakfast: No Breakfast this weekend. . No Breakfast until Aug 1st

Honor Guard: Mike Taylor report they have been busy and a few people still need to get him their sizes

Veterans Court: None. Mentors always needed. Training on 1st Thursday of the month

Gun Shows: \$1260 deposit on account. June 13-14 next shows.

Training: None.

Dept. of WA MCL Convention: None

Hoopfest: Manny Esparza request \$1000 for start up fees for drinks Motion Made by Manny 2nd by Mike Taylor, Motion Passed

Old Business: None.

New Business: John Dunn Award for Whitman and Finch Elementary Schools. June 16th

Good of the League: Lilac Parade BBQ start at 4pm Load around 5 and then go to staging. Devil Dogs Growl next is May 16th

Al Parker has words to Dress Blue That was Sang at super bowl

John Fitzgerald need some help with equipment for DAV training.

Bob Lonn Read an excerpt from his new book

Announcements:

- Bingo @ VA Hospital at 1900
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Closing Ceremony: Appropriate.

Next Meeting: June 11, 2015 at 1900

Present at Meeting: Members (33)

Respectfully Submitted,
Bryan Smith