

Ron Asby North Cobb American Legion Post 304  
General Meeting Minutes  
September 19<sup>th</sup>, 2019

The Meeting was called to order by Post Commander John Dowdy at 7:06 PM.

Voting Officers present:

Commander John Dowdy  
Jr. Vice-Commander –Assembly Quarters, Todd Wilson  
Jr. Vice-Commander – Social Quarters, Don Akers  
Jr. Vice-Commander – Programs, Jack Kimmich  
Sr. Vice-Commander- Don Wilkolaski

A quorum being present, the meeting was declared official.

The Treasurer's Report was given by the Post Commander. The Commander reported that Post finances were getting better but still needed improvement. Our current balance is \$5,224.63 with outstanding invoices on hand of \$3,203.00, leaving a current surplus of \$2,021.63.

The Commander reported that a copy of changes to the current By-Laws of the Post will be emailed the week of Sept. 23<sup>rd</sup> for review by the membership at large.

The Commander then reported that the Executive Board had voted unanimously to recommend Larry Redding as Jr. Vice-Commander – Grounds. A vote was called and he was elected unanimously.

The Commander issued a special thanks to Danny Townsend for repairing and/or replacing the safety and exit lighting and for providing four new exterior lights for our sign in front of the Post.

Linda Asby reported that the Ladies Auxiliary now had 26 members with the addition of 1 new member. She reported the Auxilliary was selling tickets for the quilt displayed in the Dining Room for \$1.00 each or 6 for \$5. She also reported that the Auxiliary would have several volunteers for the Post clean-up day and she was working on getting volunteers for the Taste of Acworth.

Danny Townsend then reported that the SAL membership was up to 54 members and he was waiting for 2020 membership cards to arrive. Visiting Jr. Vice-Commander, District 5 , Wade Lenicka, told Danny that the problem of the late cards was throughout the District and he should contact Lyle Chapman at District. Danny also reported that the SAL was looking to disassociate from Life South for SAL blood drives as they have proven to be too unreliable. They are considering associating with Blood Assurance instead.

Jr. Vice Commander Todd Wilson reported that volunteers were needed for the Car Show to help staff the registration table and to help direct parking.

Jr. Vice-Commander Jack Kimmich reported on upcoming fund-raising and special events. He reported that on Saturday, Oct. 5<sup>th</sup> the Post would be hosting its 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Oktoberfest Dinner beginning at 6 PM. Details are being posted on the Monday Morning Reveille by Dan Harr. He also reported on the Taste of Acworth on Oct. 12<sup>th</sup> and the need for more volunteers. This could become a significant fund-raiser for the Post given the large turn-out expected. The Post will be selling mini-brats and beer for \$3 and \$4,

respectively. He also reported on the Post Barbecue to be held Nov. 16<sup>th</sup>. Dave Sibley is in charge and reports he is in good shape for the cooking crew. We do need volunteers for serving and collecting money. He also reported on the upcoming 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Casino Night to be held at the Post on Feb. 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2020. The Casino Company has already been retained for the date. This is the Post's largest fundraiser of the year and all are encouraged to attend. Last year this event netted in excess of \$10,000.

Bob Weatherford reported that the ALR had 23 members and there was a 25% increase in membership. He reported the addition of 3 new members this month.

Jr. Vice-Commander Todd Wilson reported that Lee Satterfield would be back performing on Oct. 19<sup>th</sup> and Nov. 30. He reported that turn-out was excellent for his last performance and the Post grossed \$960 that night. He also reported that line dancing lessons would be offered at the Post beginning Wednesday, Sept. 24<sup>th</sup>. Depending on interest, they will be offered on the fourth Wednesday of each month. A gun safety class will be offered on Saturday, Sept. 28<sup>th</sup>. Both the line dancing and the gun safety class are free of charge but a \$5.00 donation is requested which will be donated to the Post general fund. He also reported that on November 12<sup>th</sup>, Goodwill Industries will be hosting a Job Fair for Vets along with drug and alcohol counseling at the Post. Goodwill Industries will cover all costs, including advertising.

Jr. Vice-Commander, Social Quarters, Don Akers reported that Key and Security Codes are being changed. Contact Don if you currently have a key or security code. Deadline is Sept. 30<sup>th</sup>.

Our Chaplain requested his phone number be published in the Monday Reveille each week so he can be contacted for hospital visits, etc.

Post Service Officer Greg Vassillious reported that Friday Nights will be Pizza and Trivia Night. Proceeds from the sale of Pizza will be split 50/50- between the Post General Fund and the Fund for Homeless Vets.

First time Meeting attendee Vonna Wallace was welcomed by the Commander and encouraged to attend our meetings on a regular basis.

There being no further business the Commander adjourned the meeting at 7:49 PM.

FOR GOD AND COUNTRY

Respectfully submitted,  
Jack Kimmich  
Acting Adjutant

