Ron Asby North Cobb American Legion Post 304 General Meeting Minutes January 16th, 20120

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

Voting officers present:

Commander – John Dowdy Jr. Vice-Commander, Assembly Quarters – Todd Wilson Jr. Vice-Commander, Grounds - Larry Redding Jr. Vice-Commander, Social Quarters – Don Akers Jr. Vice-Commander, Programs - Jack Kimmich

A Quorum being present, a motion was made to approve the minutes of the previous Meeting. Having been seconded, the motion was approved unanimously.

The Commander welcomed our guests, Sr. Vice-Commander, Dept. Of Georgia, Al Jackson and 5th District Commander, Walt Cusick.

Treasurer Ed Jackson delivered the financial report which showed and available balance of funds of \$4,944.51. The Commander remarked on the improving financial condition of the Post and thanked everyone for their support. A motion was made to accept the financial report as delivered. Having been seconded, the motion was agreed to unanimously.

Jr. Vice-Commander Don Akers reported that things were going very well in terms of the Social Quarters. Both attendance and income are up but, as always, more kitchen help is needed.

Jr. Vice-Commander, Todd Wilson reported on events scheduled for the Assembly Quarters as follows: Lee Satterfield would also be performing on 1 February. He also added that the Post is looking at having Mr. Satterfield perform on a quarterly basis. Chuck Polk added that the District 5 Oratorical Contest would also be held at the Post on 1 February. Jr Vice-Commander Wilson also reported that the Quarters may be rented for an upcoming Bridal Shower and that Linda Asby would be hosting Texas Two-Step and Swing Dance lessons on January 28th.

Jr. Vice-Commander Larry Redding reported the grounds were in good condition and nothing further needed to be done.

Jr. Vice-Commander Jack Kimmich reported on the upcoming Casino Night on February 22nd. This is the largest fund-raiser of the year for the Post and all are encouraged to attend. Ticket price is \$25 and sales are limited to 150 and are available both online and at the bar.

Linda Asby reported on behalf of the Post Auxiliary that interest was high in Girls State and she would be helping with the District Oratorical Contest at Poat 29 on January 18th at 2 PM.

She reported that membership was up to 44 and that they had helped a veteran's family at Christmas with toys, diapers, and other necessities.

Danny Townsend reported on behalf of the Sons of the American Legion. They are now up to 60 members. Their December Blood Drive went well using the new provider, Blood Assurance. District Commander Cusick reported that the issue of women being able to join SAL is being addressed.

Bob Weatherford reported on behalf of the American Legion Riders. They have added 11 new members and now have 30 total. They logged 11,000 miles and 1,449 hours.

In General Discussion it was announced the Executive Board has approved a \$500 expenditure for Wreaths Across America due to a "buy two, get three" sale. The wreaths will be designated for the Marietta Cemetery.

The Executive Board also approved hiring a cleaning service to clean our three restrooms at a cost of \$50 per week.

It was decided to change the pay-out for Queen of Hearts drawing from \$10 per thousand dollars in the Post to a flat \$20 if the person drawn does not win. The change will take place after the current Queen of Hearts is over.

We will be participating in the Dixie Highway Yard Sale at the Post on Jun 5-7. The Auxiliary will have a booth and members are asked to bring things for them to sell. The Auxiliary will get a percentage of the sales.

It was suggested we consider doing a blood-drive in conjunction with the City of Acworth at that time, as well.

There being no further business, the Meeting was adjourned by the Commander at 8:12 PM

For God and Country, Respectfully Submitted, Jack Kimmich, Adjutant Ron Asby North Cobb American Legion Post 304