



The meeting was held on October 13, 2016 at Dilworth VFW Post 1223.

Members in attendance were: Tim H., Les B., Jim A., Jennifer C., Dan H., Mark S., JoAnn C., Vince D., Gary O., Summer H., Grant W., Jim H., Gail B.

The meeting was called to order at 8:30 a.m. by President Les B. who led members in the Pledge to Allegiance.

The Secretary's report was approved as submitted.

Financial Report was given by Treasurer Tim H. The Legacy Account at the end of September had an Adjusted Balance of \$479.52.

As of September 30, 2016 the checking balance for the Business Account was \$3,423.14. Outstanding checks were WDAY Honor Flight (Donations) in the amount of \$3,123.00 and a check for the VFW Aux. #1223 for Septembers donation of \$300.00. With these two checks there would be a balance of \$0.14 in this account. Tim explained that these two checks were not given out yet and did not have the exact date that the Honor Flight check would be presented. The Financial Report was accepted as reported.

VSO Report was given by Jennifer C., Jennifer gave an update of the Veterans Conference that was held at the Moorhead Armory. She felt that it went very good but they would like to see more attendees at this conference. They have an idea for next year to bus people in from various facilities which it would help get people there that have no way of transportation. The Volunteer Christmas Party this year will be held at the Dilworth VFW Post #1223. This will be held on Friday December 16<sup>th</sup>. Cost wise it will be cheaper there than at another location and after the meal they will all get a chance to get up and sing there favorite songs. Dan H. said that he will be cancelling the Friday Bingo Program for this. Jennifer also explained that the are looking to help our Veterans go out of this area to other offices for their VA Claims. They feel this will be very beneficial to our Veterans as their claims could be processed quicker and having more staff working for them would be a major plus for all. The VSO Office will keep us updated on this and let us know how well it is going. President Les said that he would get this in his column also to get the word out.

There was no Guard Report given but Tim H. let us know that the Wounded Warriors Guide Service will be holding their Christmas Party also at the Dilworth VFW Post #1223.

Tim also needs to have the organizations send in a request for money that is needed for the parties that will be held.

Dan H. informed us that the Beyond The Yellow Ribbon Fund Raiser that was scheduled to be held on Sunday October 30<sup>th</sup> is postponed. The new date has not been scheduled for this event but as soon as he knows he will get the information out.

For the Good of the Order Tim H. told us that he was honored to be asked to go on the Honor Flight as a volunteer. Linda Gibson who was the American Legion District 9 President had raised over \$10,000.00 for this project was unable to go and Tim thought they she may have had something to do with him being asked. Tim said that it was a very rewarding experience. On this flight they had 9 World War 11 Veterans and that the rest were Korean Veterans. He also reported when they were at the Korean Memorial that a 92 year old veterans began singing infantry songs and pretty soon the rest were all joining in. Colin Peterson was also there and when he came in they all stood and recognized him. Tim reported that there is 1 more flight that is being planned this spring. Thank You Tim for taking time out of your busy schedule to attend this and to be able to come back and tell us what our veterans were able to see and enjoy while they were there.

Just a reminder that Tim in September reported that the Moorhead American Legion Club Post #21 was starting to celebrate the birthdays of the five branches of the U.S. Armed Forces. At this they have Sloppy Joes, Birthday Cake and Door Prizes. The time for this is from Noon til Gone. The next one will be held on Sunday November 13<sup>th</sup>. This will be in honor of the U.S. Marines, Their date was 11-10-1775.

The meeting adjourned at 8:56 a.m. The next meeting will be November Thursday November 10<sup>th</sup> at Dilworth VFW Post #1223 at 8:30 a.m.

Loyally Submitted by

Gail B. - Secretary