

American Legion 3rd District of Missouri Meeting Minutes

April 10, 2016 – Smithville, Missouri – Smithville Post 58 hosting.

3rd District Commander R.E. Holtz opened the meeting at 13:06 HRS with a salute to the Colors.

3rd District Chaplin John F. Kopp gave the opening prayer.

3rd District Commander R.E Holtz read the POW/MIA Chair Remembrance.

3rd District Commander R.E Holtz led the Pledge of Allegiance and reading of the Preamble.

3rd District Commander R.E Holtz asked for roll call of Post present.

3rd District Adjutant Robert C. Emery reported that with six (6) Posts present there was a quorum present.

Guest:

3rd District Commander R.E Holtz introduced Dennis Woeltje and asked him if he wanted to say a few words. Dennis Woeltje talked about his military service and his American Legion Service. He thanked the 3rd District and Post 58 for allowing him to visit. Dennis Woeltje asked every one for their support and votes in his running for Alternate NEC.

3rd District Commander R.E Holtz asked for reading of minutes from the last 3rd District Meeting.

Judi Samborski made a motion to forgo the reading of the minutes and proceed with business. Douglas Millison seconded the motion and the motion passed.

3rd District Commander R.E Holtz asked for Committee Reports.

Committee Reports:

Finance Report:

3rd District Finance Officer Judi Samborski gave the following report:

Savings Account – Bank Midwest \$3037.37 Checking Account – Bank Midwest \$3457.98 Total \$6495.35

Deductions

John F. Kopp – Veterans Benefit Fair\$100.00TFA – North Village Apartments\$200.003rd District Meeting Hosting – Post 58\$100.00Missouri Secretary of State – reinstatement fee\$45.00

Balance Totals: \$6495.35 Deduction Totals \$445.00 Total Assets \$6050.35



3rd District Finance Officer Judi Samborski reported that Post 140 still has not paid their Per Capita for two (2) years.

3rd District Commander R.E. Holtz said that he was still attempting to contact Post 140. 3rd District Finance Officer Judi Samborski reported on getting the 3rd District incorporation reinstated and had named the following 3rd District members as members of the 3rd District Board of Directors.

John F. Kopp, Ron McBee, Bob Box, and Jacob Samborski.

3rd District Finance Officer Judi Samborski reported that the IRS had accepted her filing of the 3rd District 990N.

Calvin Bumgarner asked if the 3rd District was tax exempt status. 3rd District Finance Officer Judi Samborski reported that the 3rd District was again tax exempt.

Douglas Millison made a motion to accept the 3rd District finance report as given. G. Ray Nichols seconded the motion and the motion passed.

Missouri Boys State:

3rd District Missouri Boys State Chairman John F. Kopp reported that this had been a very down year for Missouri Boys State with only thirty four (34) delegates sent in from the 3rd District.

Cadet Patrol:

3rd District Missouri Cadet Patrol Chairman Bob Box reported that three applications had been submitted and accepted. Bob Box reported that all cadets were sponsored by Post 58.

Centennial:

Douglas Millison talked about the upcoming American Legion Centennial and working on starting a new section for bricks at Liberty Memorial for American Legion Centennial bricks. The bricks will be dedicated on November 11th, 2019. Douglas Millison talked about bricks costing two hundred (\$200) dollars for a Post brick and four hundred (\$400) dollars for a District brick.

Douglas Millison said that he still had some Centennial Pistol Raffle Tickets available and anyone interested to please contact him.

Douglas Millison said that there were centennial coins available as well.

John F. Kopp talked about one hundred fifty (150) American Legion Post were formed at the first convention. John F. Kopp said that these Posts should also plan a celebration for their centennial Post and purchase a brick at Liberty Memorial.

Nelson Duncan talked about bricks being available for the Clay County Veterans Memorial.

Dwayne Knott reported that Post 58 had scanned all of their meeting minutes and copied them onto CD's and sent copies to Department and National and asked if there was any way to find out their status.

Douglas Millison said that national was not very good at sending information out. Sickness and Distress: No Report



District Service Officer Ron McBee talked about updates at the VA

Expanding the ER, new parking structure, the CHOICE Program, Gulf War Syndrome updates.

Membership:

3rd District Commander R.E. Holtz talked about membership retention and finding new members.

Dennis Woeltje talked about Post Revitalizations and that just calling and reconnecting with Post members can help get reconnected with members and to get them to pay their dues.

Dewayne Knott reported that Post 58 had had success with phone calls to reconnect with Post members.

Douglas Nelson repeated that there were bricks for sale at the Clay County Veterans Memorial.

Veterans Benefit Fair: John F. Kopp talked about the upcoming Veterans Benefit Fair to be held in June at Our Lady of Mercy Country Home from 9:00 till 1:30 P.M.

John F. Kopp said that donations and volunteers were welcome.

Baseball: No Report

Children and Youth: No Report National Security: No Report Americanism: No Report Old Business: NONE

New Business:

Calvin Bumgarner talked about sponsorships and teams for upcoming Past Commander's Club Golf Tournament and that the proceeds would be going to the National Emergency Fund (NEF).

Calvin Bumgarner talked about the upcoming Truman Pilgrimage coming up on May 7 – 8 hosted by Post 21.

John F. Kopp made a motion that the 3rd District Sponsor a hole at the Golf Tournament in the amount of fifty (\$50) dollars. Ray Nichols seconded the motion and the motion passed.

3rd District Commander R.E. Holtz read an announcement from 40et8 Voiture 333 in Sedalia Missouri holding a fundraising dinner and auction to help raise funds to restore the Missouri MERCI BOXCAR that is on display at the Missouri State Fairgrounds. John F. Kopp talked about the MERCI train.

3rd District Commander R.E. Holtz talked about the Department Convention being held in Kansas City and encouraged everyone who could to please try and attend. Good of the American Legion:

Dewayne Knott asked everyone to thank all those who provided todays meal. Dewayne Knott talked about Post 58 hosting a showing of the movie NO GREATER LOVE on May 1st with dinner at 6:30 P.M. and Movie at 8:00 P.M.

Judi Samborski talked about Post donations being five (\$5) dollars \$20 dollars.



95 holding a rifle raffle with ticket each or five (5) tickets for twenty

Dennis Woeltje talked about the American Legion National Convention being held in Cincinnati and encouraged all those who could to attend.

With no further business 3rd District Commander R.E Holtz proceeded to close the 3rd District Meeting in due form.

- 3rd District Chaplin John F. Kopp gave the closing prayer
- 3rd District Commander R.E Holtz closed the 3rd District meeting in due form at 14:04 HRS
- 3rd District Commander R.E Holtz thanked everyone for attending the 3rd District meeting and Post 58 for hosting the meeting.

Submitted by:

Approved by:

Robert C. Emery 3rd District Adjutant

R.E Holtz 3rd District Commander