



American Legion 3rd District of Missouri Meeting Minutes

September 13, 2026 – Boutwell-Clark-Craven-Eads Post 285- Hamilton, Missouri hosting.

3rd District Commander Ricky Volkmann proceeded to open the 3rd District Meeting at 15:05 HRS.

3rd District Commander Ricky Volkmann led salute to colors.

Post 285 Chaplin gave the opening prayer.

3rd District Commander Ricky Volkmann led the meeting in the POW/MIA Memorial.

3rd District Commander Ricky Volkmann led the meeting in the Pledge of Allegiance and reciting of the Preamble.

3rd District Commander Ricky Volkmann welcomed everyone to the 3rd District Meeting and thanked Post 285 for hosting today's 3rd District meeting.

3rd District Commander Ricky Volkmann asked 3rd District Adjutant Robert Emery to call the roll of Posts.

3rd District Adjutant Robert Emery reported that there were seven (7) Posts present and found there was a quorum present.

Posts – 61, 95, 97, 260, 285, 393, and 557.

3rd District Commander Ricky Volkmann said since the minutes of the last 3rd District Meeting had been sent out via e-mail and posted to the 3rd District website, he would entertain a motion to accept the minutes as published.

Ed Weaverling said the minutes had the wrong name for the 3rd District Seargent-at-Arms.

A motion was made to accept the minutes as posted. Motion seconded and the motion passed.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Commanders Report:

3rd District Commander Ricky Volkmann thanked Post 285 for hosting today's 3rd District Meeting.

3rd District Commander Ricky Volkmann thanked all of 3rd District Posts for completing and filing their Post Consolidated Post Reports on time.

3rd District Commander Ricky Volkmann asked all 3rd District Post to submit their updated Constitutions and By-Laws.

3rd District Commander Ricky Volkmann reminded everyone about the upcoming Department Fall Conference being held September 23rd through the 25th in Osage Beach, MO.



3rd District Commander Ricky Volkmann asked anyone who could help with the upcoming Gallatin Post Revitalization on September 19th.

Finance Report: 3rd District Finance Officer Phyliss Rosales was not present, so Calvin Bumgarner gave the following report:

Savings Account (Bank Midwest) \$3,392.62

Accrued interest \$ 0.50

Checking Account (Bank Midwest) \$2,634.47

Withdrawals

\$100.00 – Check#1148 3rd District Commander Ricky Volkmann

\$100.00 – Check#1148 Ed Weaverling

Deposits: \$275.00 - 3rd District Post paid their per capita tax

Checking Account Final Balance \$2,434.47

Savings Account Final Balance \$3,392.62

Total Balances \$5,827.09

3rd District Commander Ricky Volkmann asked for a motion to accept the Finance Report as given.

A motion was offered and seconded and with no further discussion the motion passed.

Service Officer: NO REPORT

Membership:

Ed Weaverling talked about working your Post Roster and get them to renew their membership for 2027.

American Legion Baseball: NO REPORT

Missouri Boys State: NO REPORT

Missouri Cadet Patrol: NO REPORT

Oratorical:

3rd District Commander Ricky Volkmann gave a brief breakdown on this program.

Americanism:

3rd District Adjutant Robert Emery talked about Posts re-writing their Constitutions and By-Laws and submitting them for approval.

Old Business:

None to be handled at this time

New Business:

3rd District Commander Ricky Volkmann talked about Zone Commander needing report on his Post activities and needed information for his report: Completed Funeral Honors, VA Compensation Referral's, Programs geared towards veterans, Community Event (hosted/participated), and Membership Drives Completed.

2027 Membership goal set to 2026 Membership plus one member.

Service Officer will be an accredited person. A non-accredited person will have the title of Resource Officer.

John "Jay" Bowen is the new American Legion Commander.



3rd District Commander Ricky Volkmann talked about his time at American Legion National Convention in Louisville, Ky.

New format of The American Legion Magazines, its size has been reduced to save cost on mailings.

3rd District Commander Ricky Volkmann talked about Department of Missouri hosting the upcoming American National Convention in Kansas City and will be asking for help from local members.

The National Vice Commander visit to Missouri is September 16th through the 19th.

3rd District Commander Ricky Volkmann thanked Post 285 for hosting 3rd District Meeting today.

Post 285 Chaplin gave the closing prayer.

3rd District Commander Ricky Volkmann said the next 3rd District Meeting will be held at Gower Memorial Post 393 on December 13 at 15:00 HRS.

3rd District Commander Ricky Volkmann closed the meeting at 16:12 HRS.

Submitted by:

Robert C. Emery
3rd District Adjutant

Approved by:

Ricky Volkmann
3rd District Commander