

**BILLY CALDWELL POST 806,  
THE AMERICAN LEGION,  
DEPARTMENT OF ILLINOIS**

**Minutes of the meeting of  
November 12<sup>th</sup>, 2016**

- A general meeting of the membership was held at St. Paul's House in Chicago, Illinois. The meeting was called to order by Commander Dale Tippett at 12:20PM. With the American Flag in place a hand salute was rendered. The Pledge of Allegiance and the Preamble to the American Legion Constitution were recited. A moment of remembrance was given for those who are POW/MIAs.
- A roll call of Post Officers was taken

Roll call of Officers;

X Commander / Dale Tippett  
EXCUSED Senior Vice – Commander / Peter Hirt  
X Junior Vice – Commander / James Kostka  
X Adjutant & Finance Officer / Albert Coughlin  
X Judge Advocate / Goran Anderson  
Other Officers Present; None

and a count of all others in attendance. Including all in attendance there were twelve (12) members and 4 guests present.

- Minutes of the October 15<sup>th</sup> meeting were read and approved with the following changes; change 2 \$2,000 certificates of deposit to 2 \$5,000. CD's. Motion made by Bruno Renkal and seconded by Bob Harriett all were in favor of acceptance.

***Reports Given***

- **Commander's Report;** Commander Dale Tippett thanked all for attending our meeting and asked everyone to do self introductions. He gave a brief run down of the Post history and information about the sale of the Post building on Irving Park Road. He also discussed the school awards and asked if anyone would be interested in helping with this or any other programs to let him know. Dale also indicated our representation at the District level of the Chicago Police Department and Portage Park Chamber of Commerce. Dale gave a report concerning the National Veterans Art Museum located on Milwaukee Avenue by six corners and that some of us were headed over there after the meeting to present them with a \$100 donation. He indicated

that we received an acknowledgement of the lap robes which were donated through us to the Jesse Brown VA facility.

- **Senior Vice;** Pete Hirt was excused. Adjutant Al Coughlin explained that we were in the high 70% ranking and on track. Al recently mailed out another 60 2910 invitations to transfer into our Post.
- **Finance Report;** Finance Officer, Al Coughlin, reported that as of October 31<sup>st</sup>, we have \$11,977.09 in our new general funds account with MB Financial also with them we have 1 \$50,000; 2 \$20,000; and 2 \$5,000 certificates of deposit for a total of \$100,000 invested in CD's. We also have \$6,830.87 pending transfer from the TCF Bank account to MB financial when all outstanding checks clear, hopefully at the end of October.
- **Adjutant;** Al Coughlin went over correspondence received. If anyone needs to pay dues, I brought the cards with and will handle after the meeting. The next meeting will be at St. Paul's on December 10<sup>th</sup> at noon. It was also brought up that we should look into once again having a web site. Al will look into getting one through National again.
- **New Business;** Member George Hitzman discussed the approval and introduction of the Illinois CIB (Combat Infantry Badge) license plate and how to apply for it. Cmdr. Dale brought up his VA experiences and the job of the VAVS and what they do. Four guests were present, John and Marlene Pufpaf and Sophia Bondarew along with young Boylan. John Pufpaf and Sophia Bondarew are eligible perspective members. John joined at the end of the meeting, Sophia said she would take joining into consideration, we welcomed our guests.
- **Old Business;** None
- **For the good of the Legion;** Al Pizarro is now working for the Department's V.A. & R. office at Jesse Brown. Al Pizarro also made a motion before the Post to consider a donation towards gifts for the veteran's monthly bingo at Jesse Brown and seconded by Bob Harriet, it was agreed to provide \$20 per month for twelve (12) months. It was approved by the membership in attendance and a one time check of \$240. will be sent to Ray Tozack to use for the cause. Members inquired how to get a copy of their DD214 or discharge papers. The Adjutant will include the information in the next news letter, possibly in each newsletter in the future. Also suggested that Ray Tozack's number at Jesse Brown be included in future newsletters.

Since there was no further business to be brought before the membership, a motion was made to conclude the meeting.

The meeting was closed by Commander Tippet at 1:30 PM.

