



AMERICAN LEGION POST 177

Post Office Box 53

CANFIELD, OH 44406

DATE: 20 January 2015

SUBJECT: Minutes of the Monthly Meeting, 06 January 2015

1. Meeting called to order at 1900 hrs.
2. Four (4) members and three (3) officers present.
3. The POW flag was placed and a hand salute rendered. This was followed by a prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance.
4. Motion to approve the minutes from December's meeting.

Motion by Charles Coleman

2nd Bill Gibson

5. Committee Reports:

a. Commander -

The post received thank you notes from the following organizations who were given cash contributions from the post: Austintown Fitch Choir; Youngstown VA Food Bank; Youngstown VA Outreach; and DAV Chapter 2 Veterans Food Bank.

b. First Vice - Nothing to offer.

c. Adjutant - Excused Absence.

d. SAL - SAL has some available cash if needed to support participation at Boy's State.

e. Chaplain - Nothing to offer.

f. Finance - Commander reports current balance as \$1,846.16.

6. New and Unfinished Business:

- Commander reports that we have gained two (2) new members, and four (4) transfers for a total of fifty-one (51). Of those, forty-seven (47) are paid up. Commander will personally call the four (4) whose dues are still owed.
- After discussion, First Vice nominated Todd Beeson and Mayor Kosar to be the Post's nominations for the United Veterans Council. Bill Gibson offered the second. The vote to approve was unanimous.
- The Commander discussed the process to nominate high school students to Boys State. There is one (1) interested student: David Hofsess of Canfield. Commander will extend an invitation to Mr. Hofsess to attend our February meeting to entertain questions from the members, after which his nomination will be considered.
- John Craig discussed the plans to reset and repair veterans' grave stones in the Canfield cemeteries. Phase 1 (\$20K) will occur in the Spring 2015 and will concentrate on resetting some that have tipped and beginning the repair process on some that are broken. John has another contractor coming in to quote the next Phase of the plan.
- John Craig also commented that the Post needs to start taking positive steps to becoming financially self-sufficient and less reliant on contributions from places like the city, township and local business. He discussed a number of possibilities, including Post sponsored dinners.
- The Commander noted that the next County Legion meeting would be held on 21 or 22 Jan 2015 at Post 15 in Poland. He encouraged members to attend if they could.

7. Next meeting Tuesday, 03 February 2015 beginning at 7:00 PM in the Canfield Township Hall.

8. POW Flag recovered, closing prayer, meeting adjourned at 2010 hrs.



CHARLES M. COLEMAN
First Vice Commander
Canfield American Legion Post 177