

Minutes of VFW Post 4051
Meeting of 3 June 2023

The meeting was held at the American Legion Post 209 and was opened by Commander Bob Green at 0900. There were 16 members present.

Chaplain P J Yuson gave the opening prayer.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Membership cards were verified.

Commander Green gave Recognition of past Department, District, Cootie and Post officers.

Roll was taken, 1 Year Trustee Tom Permuy absent. All other elected officers were present.
Guest - Doug Fitzgerald from Congressman Lamborn's office.

Minutes were accepted as published.

Membership: No applications for membership this month.

The Quartermaster's Report: Was read by Quartermaster Eric Veed and is subject to audit.

Reports of Committees:

Service Officer: Lance Dyar - No report.

Surgeon Report: Jim Waddle continues to have back issues. Ev McBride is in Penrose Hospital with leukemia and Eric's mother passed away recently. Her service will be at the PPNC on 12 June at 1300.

Chaplain's Report: Six members reported deceased this month - Loren Grigsby, David Jenkins, Elmer "Bud" Plumlee, Joseph Leis, Lee Minnick, Larrie Osteros and Gary Pierson. The Post held a draping of the Charter ceremony.

Legislative: D J Alberts commented that the budget has been passed in Congress.

Staff Judge Advocate: T C Charles - Absent. No Report

Entertainment: John Mazzella - Absent

House Committee: Rick Archuleta - Absent

Bingo: Ron Reneker - Bingo desperately needs volunteers. If none come forward bingo sessions will need to be cancelled. Might need to hire security if confrontations continue.

Membership: Currently at 96.89% Sr. Vice Commander Larry Johnson plans to represent the post at Tanner Gun shows to try to recruit new members.

Community Activities: Barbara Green. The new Community Service reporting year began 1 April. Please let Barbara know of any community service hours and mileage and personal cash spent.

Pikes Peak Veterans Committee: Paul Bailey - Paul and Barbara represented the Post at the Memorial Park wreath laying on Memorial Day.

Americanism: Vacant

VOD/PP: Barbara Green - No report.

Teacher of the Year: No report

JROTC/ROTC: Joel Nadel. Absent. No Report.

Poppies: Poppy distribution netted \$845.

Public Affair/Webmasters: Ron Reneker - Website being updated especially with pictures.

Honor Guard: TC Charles absent. No Report

Public Servant: Larry Johnson - No Report

Scouting: Galen Steele - No Report

Adopt a Unit (2-77 FA): Paige Lanier - Members from the 2-77 FA were at Paige Lanier's apartment complex on Memorial Day for a commemoration. The new Commander and his wife were there also.

Adopt a Unit (Space unit): Bob Green - No report.

Trustees: No report

National Home: Ron Reneker - No report

National Home Prayer given by Chaplain PJ Yuson

Correspondence: None

Unfinished Business

None

New Business:

Ron Reneker made a motion to donate \$1,000 from bingo funds to Care and Share. The motion passed.

Val Bernal made a motion for approximately \$50,000 to repave the parking lot, add upgraded handicap parking spot that meet current code. Expand the patio area and handicap ramp for east entrance.

Al Hitchens made a motion for approximately \$16,000 to reface the box storage, remove Letter box signs, remove unlit building sign, reliable awning, remove cover, repaint pole sign, and add new box letter sign in place of the letter box sign currently on Dublin Blvd. - Motion passed.

Art Kimbrel made a motion to have the kitchen vent hood serviced and secured. NTE \$7,500. Motion passed.

Paige Lanier made a motion to have the washable kitchen ceiling tiles replaced NTE \$2,500. Motion passed.

Larry Johnson made a motion to have a new security system installed NTE \$5,000. Motion passed.

James Pines made a motion for new door(s) with panic bars and to have a locksmith come to change the locks on the building. Motion passed.

Art Kimbrel has an estimated cost of kitchen equipment (attached to minutes)

Members Val Bernal, Art Kimbrel, Ron Reneker, and Paige Lanier have offered to "babysit" the building if contractors are in the building.

Hopefully, the 1 July meeting will be held at the new Post home.

Barbara Green made a motion to pay for one delegate for the national VFW convention. Motion passed.

Duane Knutson publicly thanked American Legion Post 209 for their allowing us to meet there. Art Kimbrel will pass on thanks to the Post Commander.

Past State Commander. Barbara Green installed elected and appointed officers in attendance. The new officers take office after the State Convention on 12 June.

Good of the Order

Commander Green reported on the special meeting where purchase of the new Post Home was decided. The vote was 14 yes and 9 no.

Barbara Green gave a short report on the \$25,000 Tobacco Fund grant that the Post received. She will know more after training in July.

Closing prayer Given by Chaplain PJ Yuson

Flag salute

The meeting was adjourned at 1000. The next Post meetings will be 1 July at the Post Home at 0900, donuts and coffee at 0800.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara Green
Adjutant

Approved/Disapproved

Bob Green
Commander