

**THE AMERICAN LEGION  
ROY REED POST #252  
WINSIDE, NE  
OCTOBER 3, 2023**

Commander Dan Jaeger called the meeting to order with 6 members present and led the members to salute the flag. Les Schulz arrived, but left early because of bad weather. Sandra Hansen offered prayer. A moment of silence was observed for the POS/MIA's. Cmdr. Jaeger led the members in the Pledge of Allegiance and the Legion Preamble.

Bud Neel read the minutes of the September 2023 meeting by Cmdr. Jaeger. **Minutes approved as read.**

No treasurer's report.

**Sick Call:**

Butch Edwards is home from hospital. Dehydrated and lack of nutrition. Seems to be doing better. Card sent by Cmdr. Jaeger

Dean Mann scheduled to go to Madonna for 10 days -2 weeks for therapy. Leg was removed above the knee. Card sent by Cmdr. Jaeger.

**Old Business:**

--Do we need to change checking account and add someone with Dean and Butch down for now? Gene Barg nominated Stan Stenwall, Sandra Hansen seconded, motion passed.

--Stan will pick up the mail

--Bud provided a PUFL (Paid up for life chart) for members.

--Bud received a Thank You from Norfolk Veteran's Home on the visitation in Winside by the Veterans. It was mentioned, Winside should host it more often. The Veterans like playing the PLINKO game. Winside might schedule a soup luncheon for the Veterans.

--Black Hill energy sent a letter about replacement of the gas meter. Gene Barg advised; "We do not have any pilot lights to relight." They can replace the meter if no one is here. Needs to be scheduled by October 5, 2023. Stan will contact them.

--Bud advised the National Auxiliary provided a Star-Spangled Kids Kit to be distributed. It includes several items on Americanism. It was provided by a grant from the ALA foundation.

--Cmdr. Jaeger turned in 8 names to Ima Gene Braasch for "Quilts of Valor" for Veteran's Day at school. No date set for program at this time.

Bud advised, Dollar Days at Norfolk Vet's Home is Thursday, November 2, 2023 at 2 PM. The Gifts for Yanks is scheduled for Friday, December 8, 2023 at 2 PM for Norfolk Vet's Home and Norfolk Regional Center.

--Cmdr. Jaeger asked if the scratch cards had been turned in for reimbursement from the picnic. No one knew for sure. Scratch cards winnings were paid out by the Legon.

**New business:**

--Marlin Westerhaus family wants a flag box for Marlin AH Westerhaus. The \$50.00 was given to Bud Neel for the flag box. They need to get the flag to Bud and a nameplate needs to be inscribed with the information.

--Question about Colwell family wanting a box. No one knew. Mr. Colwell was not a member of Winside. The case of 3 spent casing and Duty, Honor and Country was given to Stan Stenwall to give to the family.

--Question of Taps player, Tarrin Quinn, has she been awarded any compensation? She did receive a monetary donation when she graduated, but nothing since.

--Bud provided pamphlets on flag etiquette, Military Honors at funerals and other items of information for the members. Bud was told to put on the information rack.

--Sandra H. asked about Law Enforcement of the Year and Fire Fighter/EMS of the year. Who do we want to award. Some members advised the Sheriff is to reserved. The Deputy that caused problems at the County Fair should no be acknowledge. That leaves Deputy Clayton Bratcher and Hawthorne as recipients. No vote was taken on whom to nominate.

--Children & Youth safety. Do we need to do something? No discussion was held.

--Bills for helmets, seals and shirt (for Yancy) from Bud Neel totaled or \$700.00. Sandra moved to pay for the bill, Gene Barg seconded, motion passed.

Membership report was given. Cmdr. Jaeger took the card that Treasurer Dean Mann had and will work on them. Bud needs to send a list of non-paid members to Cmdr. Jaeger to work renewals. Email it to Cmdr. Jaeger.

--Covid discussion was held. Nothing was decided.

--Bud advised the SONS and Auxiliary will be hosting a fundraiser for Special Olympics at the Auditorium on Sunday, October 8, 2023. The funds are for attending District and State competition, not local competition. Donations have come from Michael Foods, Lou's Thrifty Way, Anita Martens, Bud & Beverly Neel, Tyson foods, and Pony Express, Emerson. Any help would be appreciated. State Special Olympics personnel have been invited to celebrity assist in serving the soup.

Next meeting will be November 6, 2023

Sandra Hansen offered prayer

Cmdr. Jaeger closed the meeting.