



Eric V. Dickson Post 1980
P.O. Box 1980
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Post 1980 Meeting Minutes –27 April 2021

Called to order at 7:00 PM –Commander Dan Williams

Welcome to members and guests:

Members present: Dan Williams, Cindy Meyer, Ralph Parsons, Paul James, John Gomes, Bob Lowry, Bob Barber, Larry Ingram, Lee Vulcan, Rod Herk, Al Pickup, Paul Eberhardt, Bruce Taylor, Lance Pearcey, Chris Higgins

Guests: Marvin Weaver, Marvin Weaver Jr, Lino Calica – District 7

Minutes from the Mar 2021 Meeting: Approved with amendment to March minutes to reflect:

New Officers:

1st Vice (Junior Vice): Vern Wilson

2nd Vice (Senior Vice): John Gomes

Corrected to:

New Officers:

1st Vice (Senior Vice): Vern Wilson

2nd Vice (Junior Vice): John Gomes

Finance Report: March 2021 Approved as read

Committee Reports / Old Business:

- **Membership:** Ralph - We have met the membership goal for the year. We still have members that have not renewed for 2021 and they have until Jun 30, 2021 to get those paid. Fastest way to renew is online, but you can mail them to us.

- **Boys State/ Oratorical/Scholarships** – Commander Williams presented three scholarships of \$1,000 each. They were awarded to: Avery Waters, Christopher Mast and Parker Taranto. Boys state will be held at Hotel Elegante in Colorado Springs July 11-16. As of this time we do not have any applicants.

- **Pig Roast** is scheduled for 12 Jun 2021 at Crystola and we will be able to do full meals. We will begin mid-April soliciting businesses to support the Silent Auction, we need help reaching out to businesses; Vern, Keith and Lee are heading up this year's Pig Roast.

- **Membership/Ticket Booths/Silent Auction/Veterans Day Tickets:** Cindy will send out information to members and the Auxiliary to let Paul know who will help him solicit for items. We will begin selling tickets for Veterans Day at the Pig Roast.



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- **1st Saturday Building Maintenance.** Lee Vulcan reported that he thought the building is in good shape and there is no need for meeting next month. This building is in need of rain gutters. The total cost would be approximately \$595. Thos cost would be shared between the VFW and American Legion. A motion was made by Bob Lowry for our Legion to pay \$297.56 towards the gutters and seconded by Lance Pearcey. The motion was unanimously approved.

New Business:

- **Swearing in of New Officers:** This was completed by our District 7 Guest, Marvin Weaver Jr.

- **District 7 Convention:** May 2nd at Post 13 in Canon City beginning at 11:00 am. We will be holding elections and all positions will be up for election.

- **Foster Care:** Ralph Parsons reported Teller County is critically low on foster homes. Please contact Michael Wickwire @ 719.686.5520 to volunteer/obtain information.

- **Durham Bus Service:** Jeff Brimm was going to present and had to cancel.

- **Little League Baseball:** Ralph Parsons reported that there are 250 kids signed up for baseball. It was suggested that the Legion become a sponsor for \$250 which will help with equipment and uniforms and allow our Legion Post 1980 to display a banner at the games showing our support. A motion was made by Bob Lowry and seconded by Lee Vulcan for our Post to make the \$250 sponsorship. The motion was unanimously approved.

- **Service Officer Report** – Bob Lowry reported on the Burn Pits Bill from Iraq and Afghanistan is still pending in the Senate. Woodland Park Cemetery has small plots for cremation remains available. Please check out the third floor of the library for the display/dedication to our homeless veteran who died.

- **C-22 Suicide discussion:** Commander Williams reported that 20% of the 17 suicides in the last month were veterans.

Auxiliary Update: The regularly scheduled Auxiliary meeting was postponed due to President Anita Wilson's accident. Anita is recovering and is grateful for all our prayers.

Correspondence: Certificate of Appreciation for Pat Sheehan was signed by Commander Williams and Adjutant Meyer.

Sickness/Illness: We all send our prayers for Anita Wilson to continue to have a speedy recovery.



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For the good of the Legion:

- John Gomes spoke about recruiting our members to become more active in our activities and our team.
- Larry Ingram spoke about the Flags for Schools program that will be active this year. We need at least 5 Legion members for the end of August thru the beginning of September to assist with this program. Larry also encouraged members to check the Legion's Facebook page and please join Facebook and support our Legion page. Larry suggested we all take a picture of our DD214 with our phone so we have it when we need it.
- We have a lot of flags that need to be put to rest.
- Lee and Rod will get together to assemble more poles for the flags. We currently have 34 large flags.
- Schedule for Memorial Day Weekend: Saturday, May 29th, 10:00 am, Woodland Park Cemetery, Flags on the Graves; Monday, May 31st, 7:00 am, flags up at Lions Park, Monday, May 31st, 10:00 am Woodland Park Cemetery Memorial Ceremony.

Next post meeting: May 25th, 2021

Adjourn: 8:23 PM