



Black Hills Chapter American Legion Riders American Legion Post 164

Wednesday, May 12, 2014 at 6:00 pm
Spearfish Ambulance Service, Spearfish
Monthly Meeting Minutes – Approved June 11, 2014

Members Present: Brian Hambek; Jim Childers; Matt Hardin; Micheline Nelson; Fred Nelson; Dick Rutherford; Jim Dittes; Russ Edwards; Bob Borbely; Mike Kain; Duane Riedlinger; Helen Riedlinger; David Riedlinger; Royce Lyons; Carol Edwards; John Nelson; Marvin Friedt; Lynn Pohlman; Brad Pohlman; Bart Willuweit; and Lori Willuweit

Director Brian Hambek called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

After the salute to the Colors, Pledge of Allegiance, invocation and a moment of silence for the POW/MIA and fallen heroes, the Riders read the Riders Creed. Two guests were introduced and given the floor: Post 164 Commander Mitch Mechaley and ALR Post 22 Chapter Director John Fleming.

Fred Nelson moved to approve the minutes as printed; Jim Childers seconded – carried. Fred Nelson moved to approve the treasurer's report with a balance of \$1,399.78. Jim Dittes seconded – carried. Dick Rutherford received an escort donation of \$115 from Pam Hanson. Brian Hambek reported that 40 members paid their 2014 dues.

Road Captain Fred Nelson announced that Sunday rides would start June 1. Discussion and details on the schedule and escort of the National Commander Dan Dellinger were presented. A sign-up sheet went around the room. After voting by ballot, Mario DeLudos and Thomas Hoffman were approved by the members present. Mike Kain was appointed Honors chairman by Director Brian.

Escort coordinator Russ Edwards explained the formation of the flag line at the National Cemetery and diagrammed the entrance and exit of the split formation.

The SVM members reported that the new flag pole is up, working on lighting and phase 1 should be completed within a month.

After sick call, we moved to the Executive Board recommendation. Director Brian showed the Chapter organizational flow chart with sub-committees to include five sub-committee. A copy will be emailed to the members.

Under new business, Director Brian read the correspondence from Pam Hanson for the April 15's escort. Director Brian requested the Chapter to post Colors at the Opening Ceremony for the Spearfish Relay for Life event on June 20. Micheline Nelson announced the request from Bob Turner to do the flag raising at 8:00 am on Friday May 16 at Creekside Elementary School. Mike Kain will coordinate the POW/MIA white table at the dinner for the National Commander May 18. Mitch Mechaley recognized the mission of the Black Hills Riders and thanked the chapter for the support and contributions; John Fleming reviewed the escort schedule for May 15 at St. Thomas More and May 18 at the RC airport to meet the National Commander. The motion to do hamburgers at the VFW in Deadwood to end the Poker run route was carried; Secretary Micheline will contact the VFW. The First Aid and CPR training is scheduled for May 31 at 6:00 pm and the Safety training on June 6 at 6:00 pm, both at the Spearfish Ambulance training room.

There were no additional comments for the good of The American Legion Riders.
The meeting was called to adjourn at 7:10 pm followed by a closing prayer, and salute to the Colors.

Minutes submitted by Secretary Micheline Nelson