



Black Hills Chapter American Legion Riders
American Legion Post 164
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Wednesday, April 9, 2014 at 6:00 pm
Spearfish Ambulance Service, Spearfish
Monthly Meeting Minutes – Approved May 12, 2014

Members Present: Brian Hambek; Jim Childers; Matt Hardin; Micheline Nelson; Fred Nelson; Duane Riedlinger; Helen Riedlinger; David Riedlinger; Royce Lyons; Russel Edwards; Carol Edwards; John Nelson; Marvin Friedt; Brad Pohlman; and James Raysor

Director Brian Hambek called the meeting to order at 6:05 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. There were no guests.

Carol Edwards moved to approve the minutes as printed; Jim Childers seconded – carried. Treasurer Jim Childers reported that a separated bank account from the Chapter, under the Legion Post main bank account was established. There are three signatories, Brian Hambek, Director; Jim Childers, Treasurer, and Micheline Nelson, Secretary. Fred Nelson moved to approve the treasurer's report with a balance of \$1,380.68. Jim Childers moved to reimburse Helen Riedlinger for the toiletries purchased for the Ft. Meade VA project; seconded by David Riedlinger – carried. Brian Hambek reported that 40 members paid their 2014 dues.

Road Captain Fred Nelson announced that May 3rd here will be a Chapter training with a possible blessing of the bikes. Russel Edwards reported that he and Brad Pohlman visited the funeral homes in Spearfish, Sturgis and Belle Fourche and left contact information; no contact in March. We had two applications for new membership. After voting by ballot, Michael and Shelley Reeder were approved by the members present.

Reports on the District Spring Convention, Flag Program at West Elementary, visit at Ft. Meade VA, and the Spearfish Veterans Monument were given. Director Brian announced to the membership that Fred Nelson is the District One Legionnaire of the year.

After sick call, we moved to the Executive Board recommendation. Director Brian presented the revised application, after discussion at the Executive Board meeting, Jim Childers suggested to add the word "maintain" insurance. Duane Riedlinger move to approve the application, Matt Hardin seconded – carried. Director Brian showed the Chapter organizational flow chart with sub-committees. A copy will be emailed to the members.

Under new business, Director Brian read the correspondence from Ft. Meade VA thanking the ALR-BH for the donation of toiletry items.

Director Brian requested the Chapter to post Colors at the Opening Ceremony for the Spearfish Relay for Life event on June 20.

Fred Nelson announced the outline of the program for the National Commander's visit to South Dakota. The Commander will arrive on May 18 around 1:00 pm. Escort is requested from the airport to the Black Hills National Cemetery, Sturgis Ft. Meade VA, Sturgis Vets Club, Spearfish Veterans Monument, followed by dinner hosted by the Spearfish Post. Day two is in Hot Springs, day three in Box Elder and Rapid City. Carol Edwards move to give \$150 to the National Commander's project supporting the Emergency Funds, seconded by David Riedlinger. The motion was approved with one opposed.

Carol Edwards requested a flag line for the dedication of the flag pole donated to St Thomas More School on May 15. Details will follow when available.

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