



Black Hills Chapter American Legion Riders
American Legion Post 164
PO Box 583, Spearfish, South Dakota, 57783

Wednesday, October 14, 2015 at 6:00 pm

Spearfish Ambulance Service, Spearfish

Monthly Meeting Minutes – Approved

Chapter Officers & Chairmen: Brian Hambek, Director; Mike Kain, Assist. Director/Honors Chairman; Jim Dittes, Chaplain/Membership Chairman; Micheline Nelson, Secretary; Jim Childers, Treasurer; Fred Nelson, Road Captain/Web Master; David Riedlinger, Sergeant-at-Arms; Royce Lyons, Escort Chairman; and Jane Rutherford, Newsletter Editor (absent)

Guests/Members: Brian Dean Post Commander, Chris and Deanna Elmquist, Kim & Mason Borbely with friend Carmen (driver); Attendance: 20

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 members read the Riders Creed. After roll call of officers, Secretary Nelson confirmed the quorum.

Duane Riedlinger moved to approve the September minutes as printed; Jim Childers seconded – carried. Treasurer Jim Childers read the treasurer's report. Fred Nelson moved to approve the treasurer's report and pay the bills, seconded by Mike Kain - carried.

Director Hambek and Commander Dean presented checks from the Borbely Memorial Event to Kim Borbely (\$1,300) and Elmquist (\$1,000)

Road captain Fred Nelson reported the pre-ride to Borberly's Memorial ride is scheduled for September 19; the Borbely ride on Sept. 20; Swarm Day and plans for a ride on October 18. The road safety tip is to "Dress for the slide not the ride!"

Escort Chairman Royce Lyons reported that there were two flag lines/escorts. Honors Chairman Mike Kain reported that members helped with the flag line for the "Unaccompanied Veterans" Memorial Service at the BHNC on October 6. He will not be available on November 7. He also explained that the Belle Fourche dry cleaner cleaned the presentation flag at no cost.

Jim Dittes reported that there were 50 paid members before the meeting and no new applications were turned in. Remember to renew membership in January. Dues are unchanged at \$20 per year.

After sick call, members reported on September activities and events: the Borbely Memorial had 11 teams golfing. Next year, plan for additional pictures.

Helen Riedlinger reported on the meeting at BHNC. November 12 at 8:00 am is the date to take down the flags at the Avenue of Flags; she announced that veterans can check eligibility for the Ambassador Peace Medal (1951-1955) through the State of South Dakota; Helen also shared the various businesses who provide free services or meals on November 11. Wreath across America is planned for December 12 at 10:00 am.

Under unfinished business – Micheline Nelson will purchase frames for the poker run donors/sponsors certificates and will deliver them to the businesses.

Under new business, Riders are invited to many programs in Deadwood, Piedmont, Spearfish, Belle Fourche, and at Ft. Meade VA for Veterans Day. The Civic Center will hold a Stand Down on November 10 from 11:00 to 3:00.26.

Carol Edwards move to replace the flags and purchase 5 additional flags for flag lines and events. Russ Edwards seconded – carried.

Having no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:15 pm followed by a closing prayer by Chaplain, and salute to the Colors.

Minutes submitted by Secretary Micheline Nelson