



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

**Wednesday, June 10, 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 (Excused), 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

**Guests/Members:** Post Commander Brian Dean; **Attendance:** 21

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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, Director Hambek did the introduction of guest, Post Commander Brian Dean who gave a few words.

Duane Riedlinger moved to approve the minutes; Mike Kain seconded – carried. Jim Childers read the treasurer's report. Fred Nelson moved to give a check for a value of \$1,150 to the Legion Legacy Scholarship, Royce Lyons seconded. Mike Kain Assist. Director will give the check at the state convention.

Road captain Fred Nelson reported that the Trevino Ride is June 13 with registration at 9:30 am. The Poker Run for St. Jude is the following week departing from the Sturgis Veterans Club. Escort Chairman Royce Lyons reported that there was one flag line/escort from Sturgis and Honors Chairman Mike Kain shared how well the Memorial Day ceremonies went regardless of the constant rain. Russ Edwards explained how Post 239 Little Eagle follows the Lakota ways of honoring Veterans for Memorial Day.

Brian Hambek reported that there were 50 paid members before the meeting and no new applications were turned in.

Under sick call, Carol Edwards informed us that Dennis Edwards Dept. Chaplain was receiving care from hospice at his home because his wife Shirley is hospitalized. We moved to unfinished business, Robert Borbely gave the details from the May 30<sup>th</sup> Poker Run. There were many volunteers for registration with set-ups around 8:30 am and 4:00 pm at the Sturgis Vets Club for the drawing and announcement of the winners. Helen Riedlinger reported and thanked the Riders for their help raising flags at the Black Hills National Cemetery on May 21<sup>nd</sup>. Following discussions at the Executive Board, certificate of appreciations will be awarded to the larger sponsors/contributors of the 2015 Poker Run. Bob Borbely suggested that all sponsors who donate \$150 or more receive a certificate.

Under new business, Director Hambek called for a special presentation with Post Commander Dean. Dick Rutherford was presented a plaque for his service as Chaplain.

Director Hambek and Mike Kain agreed to head the two Fourth of July Parades in Belle Fourche and Spearfish. Royce Lyons, Mike Kain, David Riedlinger, and Jim Childers will post colors at Relay for Life on June 20<sup>th</sup>. Mike Kain, Russ Edwards and Fred Nelson will conduct the POW/MIA ceremony of remembrance at the State Convention. The members discussed which information will go on the poster for the Monday, August 3<sup>rd</sup> free BBQ for American Legion Riders. Troy Hall will design the poster. Dick Rutherford will present a couple of options with budget for the meal.

The Flag Day event at Ft. Meade is cancelled. An ice cream social will be planned at a further date.

Fred Nelson did the Part Two of Group Ride Safety explaining how to always follow the lead of the road captain even if sometimes there are distractions that want to draw you away. The group rides as one.

Having no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:10 pm followed by a closing prayer by past Chaplain Dick Rutherford, and salute to the Colors.

*Minutes submitted by Secretary Micheline Nelson*