

American Legion Post 14 Meeting Minutes of June 6, 2019

Executive Session

On 15 June at War Memorial Park, there will be a picnic where 3 to 4 people are requested to help with the picnic.

The Summer Convention is coming up in July and we have been asked to Post Colors as well as doing the POW MIA Table presentation at the Commanders Dinner.

Those attending the Summer Convention are:

1. Mike Immel
2. Brian Torskya
3. Brian Gano
4. Doug Staley
5. Mike Birch
6. Ken Lesher
7. Ken Moneagle
8. Chuck (need last name)
9. Robby
10. Savannah (need last name)
11. Sharon Kaufman

The VA will be hosting a VA&R Site Visit in Martinsburg from 7/22-7/24 and have requested a Town Hall with the Legion on July 22 at 1900.

The Board of Education has requested a Presentation of Colors, (need date).

No financial report provided.

A reminder was provided by Brian T on the golf tournament in Aug at the Woods. Additional info will be provided as soon as possible.

Officer installations will happen after this meeting.

There has been a request from Special Olympics for helpers.

Boy's State happening the Week of June 10.

Chantel briefed us on the church property and told us that we would have an unlimited lifetime right of way to the property. If the church offers 25K, we should take it. We will be able to build a 5000 sq. ft. building and if we do that we do not need to do a pond for storm runoff, lastly we can subdivide for 4-6K.

Information regarding the building of a Post Barn with labor being provided if we acquire the supplies.

There was discussion regarding a privacy fence to facilitate a relationship with our new neighbors.

We are also told that there is a 100M city limit noise ordinance; however, there is none in the county. The earliest we can make noise is 0730.

Current Membership is at 357 with a goal of 396. We are 90%, but more likely 92%. Waiting on the full results.

There are approximately 430 Veterans in Post 200 in Berkeley Country. The goal is to get them to be members of Post 14.

Membership for Tom Willis was discussed.

Baseball starts the Week of June 10th with the first game on June 13 at Musselman.

The Post 14 Web page is Post14.WVLegion.org. You can download the calendar to your Google calendar.

The following companies donated money to the baseball team: Sheetz (\$1000); Co-Electric (\$500), and Rogers Tires (\$100).

The Yard sale has been changed from the 9th to the 22nd with a rain date of 23 June 12-4.

The 2nd Thursday of the month the Ladies Auxiliary will hold their meeting at the Moose Lodge. The Riders will hold their meeting next Thursday 13 June.

Discussion regarding a flag disposal ceremony.

Nov 9 Veterans Bash at Berkeley Plaza. We will present Americanism material. There will be cigars for sale. Money will be donated to the Post, % is not known at this time.

Veterans Day Parade on the 10th.

Boys State currently has 401 attendees enrolled; however, the expectation is around 370-380.

The Ladies Auxiliary presented Americanism at 2 services on 2 June.

Full Membership Meeting

Brian T made a motion to forego regular business and proceed with the installation of Officers, Danny Barrett seconded the motion.

Installation of Legion Officers and Riders were conducted. See bottom of this document for Media Announcement.

Ken Moneagle was replaced as the Commander of Post 14 and as the Riders Director.

Mike Birch gave a short speech to those present on the significance of the 75th Anniversary of D-Day and the importance of remembering the WWII Veterans.

The National Anthem was played; we had prayer, and read the Legion Constitution.

Brian T conducted the POW/MIA Remembrance and Taps.

The Veteran's Day Parade in Martinsburg is 10 Nov. at 1400.

Ken Moneagle thanked the Legionnaires and Riders for the support they provided to him while in office, and later on, he thanked his wife 😊

June 15 a flag burning ceremony will be held at the VFW grounds.

The Riders talked about being more involved in the community and praised the Brothers Bound Ride.

The Riders contributed \$1000 to Boys State.

The "God Bless America" ride donated \$36K to the Martinsburg VA. Multiple Posts rode attended the ride.

VA Launched the Mission Act today (6 June).

Mike Birch stressed the need to have open and honest dialogite at the meetings.

The meeting adjourned.

The date for the next meeting will be provided since the normal meeting was to be held on the 4th of July.