

MINUTES OF THE AMERICAN LEGION
Floyd W. Magnuson, Post 30, Inc
DEPARTMENT OF MONTANA
April 12, 2012

Post 30 Commander, Duane Carlton, called the meeting to order at 1900 hours at the National Guard Readiness Center in Belgrade, Montana. There were five officers present and six members in attendance. Vice Commander Clement, and Chaplain, Daum, were both excused. The opening ceremonies were completed in proper form.

Minutes of last meeting: The minutes for March were not completed and posted by meeting time. Commander Carlton gave a brief overview of the May meeting and will see the minutes are posted for approval at the June meeting.

Finance Officer's Report: The Post 30 Finance Officer, Merv Gunderson, reported the following: All bills have been paid to date and the April 12, 2012 Post 30 account balance is \$5,254.82; the SAL account balance is \$397.44; and the Legion Riders account balance remained at \$869.00. The post CD has a current balance of \$7,159.07. A motion was made and seconded that the Financial Report be accepted as read; the motion passed unanimously.

Reports of Officers and Committees:

Service Officer Report: Service Officer Adams reported the post assisted a veteran with \$100.00 and obtained a free room for the veteran at the Super 8 motel in Belgrade. Service officer, Bill Payton had nothing further to add.

Post Membership: Commander Carlton reported that Post 30 has 238 paid up members for 2012. There are still several members who have not renewed.

Sons of the American Legion: Commander Carlton reported that the SAL Squadron has 50 paid 2012 members. There are several members who have not yet renewed.

Legion Riders: Steve Gardner reported the summer ride is scheduled for July 14, 2012. He is working on prizes for the Riders. The route will take the riders to Big Sky, West Yellowstone, Quake Lake, Ennis, Norris and home.

Boy Scouts: There was no report as Ken McMillon was out of state on family business and no representative from the scouts was in attendance..

Antique Military Vehicles: Hank Adams reported the group would be participating in the Memorial Day parade in Bozeman on May 28, 2012. There will be room for those who need rides.

House Committee: Mo Volkman commented that Club 30 is doing well. There is a new bartender, Dottie, Mo invited the membership to stop by and meet her. He also encouraged members to stop by and support their Club. Mo reminded the membership that soups are no longer available this month.

Old Business:

District 7 meeting: Merv Gunderson and Commander Carlton reported on highlights of the District 7 meeting that was held in Big Timber.

Montana American Legion Raffle Drive: Commander Carlton reported that he still has a few tickets for sale for the Department raffle of a special edition engraved tommy gun. The winner will be chosen at the Montana State American Legion Convention in Helena this June.

New Business and correspondence:

Delegates for the Department convention: The post has four delegate positions at the state annual convention, which is in Helena from June 22 to June 24, 2012. Only delegates can cast ballots at the state convention. Those who can go

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were told to get rooms now. A final list of delegates will be sent to the state following the May meeting. Anyone can attend the state meeting in Helena. All legion members are encouraged to go.

Fireworks Fundraiser: Commander Carlton talked about the fireworks fundraiser this year. We have to find a new location as the bank property has been sold. We need volunteers for working shifts. A sign up sheet was passed around and several people placed their names on the sheet. Merv Gunderson has attempted to make contact with Belgrade Urgent care. Hank Adams knows the people who have the old Veterinary property that is for sale on old highway 10. He will check to see if that location could be used.

Other Post Business:

Club 30 Activities for April: Mo Volkman reported the club will be serving "Pain Killers" on April 17, 2012 for tax day. The club will hold a Kentucky Derby day on May 5, 2012. Customer appreciation will be held on May 12, 2012. The annual Spring golf tournament will be held on June 2, 2012 at Three Forks. The tournament will be a four person team scramble event. Mo suggests you mark your calendar now for all the events.

House Committee Meeting: The next meeting will be April 16, 2012 at 12:00 pm at the Legion club.

Post 30 Made a \$250.00 donation to the Gallatin Garden Club. The money will be used for a veteran area. Several other veteran groups also donated.

Good of The Legion:

Legion Extension Course: The course is now offered on line. The cost is \$4.95. The course enlightens the student on Legion history,, programs and activities. Every state officer must complete the program. All post officers should complete the program. All Legion members are encouraged to take the course as it provides a greater perspective of your American Legion.

Memorial Day Parade: The annual Post 14 sponsored Memorial Day parade will be held in Bozeman on May 28, 2012. The parade will begin forming at 9:00 am from the high school parking lot on Main street.

Post 14 Spaghetti Feed: Bozeman Legion Post 14 will be holding a Spaghetti feed fundraiser for their Memorial Day Parade on April 13, 2012.

VVA Stand Down: The Bozeman chapter of Vietnam Veterans of America will holding their annual stand down on Saturday, June 14, 2012 at the Gallatin County Fair Grounds. Any help would be appreciated.

Belgrade VFW Post: 12112 Dedication: The Belgrade Veterans of Foreign Wars formally named their post after Nicholas Bloem, a local soldier killed in the war on terror. Their group meets at the Belgrade Senior center.

Post 30 Honor Guard: Post 30 is still looking for members to participate in the Honor Guard. Hank Adams has agreed to help form the group. Interested members should contact Hank at (406) 388-2477.

Adjournment:

Commander Carlton adjourned the meeting at 1948 hours, reminding the members that the next scheduled Post 30 Executive meeting is Thursday May 10 at 1200 hours at Club 30 and the next Post 30 meeting is May 10 at the Army National Guard Readiness Center on Airport Road, Belgrade, Montana.

Submitted:

Approved:

Merv Gunderson - Minutes

Duane Carlton, Post 30 Commander