

**AMERICAN LEGION RIDERS  
GOLD STAR POST #78  
January 14, 2020**

Meeting called to order by Director Rick Jernigan at 7:00 PM

Honors to the flag and Pledge of Allegiance by all.

Prayer was given by Dan Garrett.

Building was secured by Lannie Smith.

**No Guests**

**New Members:** 12 new 2020 Memberships paid as reported by Pat Purinton, Membership Chairman.

**Minutes** - Motion to accept minutes as read by Carole Sember was made by Don Purinton and seconded by Paul Gish then passed by all.

**Financial Report** read by Stephen Sember. Motion to accept as read by Paul Gish and seconded by Reese Burke then passed by all.

**New Correspondence** - A letter from the York VA Medical Center in Murfreesboro thanking us for supporting and for preparing a Thanksgiving Dinner for the Hospice floor Veterans on November 26.

**Sick call** - Tom Hewell has been reported to now being on the lung tansplant list. Please keep Tom Hewell and his family in your prayers. Don Purinton will have surgery on Friday, January 17. We wish him well. Michael Walden recently had eye surgery to repair a torn retina. Speedy Recovery to both Don Purinton and Michael Walden.

**Road Captain** - Paul Gish reminded everyone of the Oratorical this Saturday and looking for volunteers. Dale Hawkey, Reese Burke, Darryl and Bonnie Edwards volunteered.

Don Purinton mentioned that we did a New Years day ride to Bridge to Nowhere and several Bikes participated

**Old Business:**

Don Purinton mentioned the Christmas parade was a success. We did not win, but we had a nice float and the streets were crowded with the community enjoying all the activities.

Don Purinton mentioned the Russell Barnett party was enjoyed by all.

Paul Gish brought up the Marathon again. It will be lots of work and we can make money if we get sponsors. There is a person at the Recreation Center who is willing to help assist in setting it up. More discussion at the next meeting.

Don't forget to go to Jefferson's on Tuesday, January 21 from 4 to 8PM where a donation of 15% of all food items will be donated to the CCVA.

**New Business:**

Steve Sember brought up having the Annual Chili Cook-off on Saturday, February 22 at 5 PM for \$10.00. It will be brought up at the American Legion Meeting on January 20, 2020 as well. Still looking for volunteers for this event.

Don Purinton brought up the concern about the high utility bills at the Hall. The water heater has been set on a certain temperature and there is no need to touch it at all. The thermostat needs to be reset upon leaving the building when a function is going on. We just need to be aware of the costs involved in not checking things before you leave, such as lights off, etc.

Pat Purinton brought up items concerning the role of the membership chairman and after a long discussion it was tabled till the next meeting until we get more details on the responsibility of the job itself.

**Good for the Riders:** none

**Next Meeting:** Tuesday, February 11, 2020 at 6 PM.

**Birthday dinner:** Will be at Samurai on Saturday, January 25 at 5 PM.

**Motion to Adjourn at 8:05 pm:** Motion by Don Purinton and second by Paul Gish.

**Honors to the flag by all.**

**Closing Prayer by Dan Garrett.**

**Respectfully submitted by Carole Sember.**