

AMERICAN LEGION POST 58

Subject: Board of Governors Meeting Minutes

Date: October 4, 2016

Time: 1925 hours

Members present: Terry Hobbs
Mike Kling
Bill Tourville
John Gray Jr.

Members absent: Heather Swope
Gary Thomas
Tammy Hickey
John Gray Sr
Darryl Cannady
Antonio Shepard

1. It was announced that this is an informal meeting and that Terry Hobbs will be chairing it.
2. Terry stated that he hasn't been to the meetings in a while and if anyone is current as to what is going on.
3. Survey Stakes:
 - a. Mike mentioned that he was informed by John that there is a bunch of survey stakes out on the property but does not know what they are about.
 - b. Bill mentioned that they are supposed to be surveying the property out here. He does not know if they are the corner stakes for the legion property or to separate the VRRRA area from the rest of the post so that it can be used as collateral.
 - c. Mike stated we have not voted on any of this.
 - d. Bill continued that he believes it to one of the two.
 - e. Bill stated that Tammy was given the approval months ago to talk to the surveyors and get the property lines surveyed so we can end the question about where the property lines are on the corner of the road leading to Tom Martins place and that about 20 years ago the corner lot was sold to Tom Martin.
 - f. John inquired as to what neighbor is Tom Martin
 - i. Bill informed him that he is the one at the end of the property that has the horse barn.
 - g. John mentioned that one of the things that was brought up at a prior meeting (I do not know what meeting) that the surveyor that did the initial survey messed it up and the county map that he showed Bill at that time shows that the mentioned property belong to Mr. Martin. The surveyor was going to come out and correct the alignment of the property. But it like everything else out here, things get brought up and then they fall into the old business category and never resurface again even though they are not finished or no updates provided.
 - h. Bill stated that we did not have a General Membership meeting in July and he was unable to attend the August and September General Membership or Board of Governors meetings. I don't know what had transpired at these meetings but apparently nothing transpired at the last meeting since the only people present were Heather and Tammy.
 - i. Mike stated that that was the Board meeting and that no quorum is required so whatever decided is good, but doesn't that still have to be brought to the Membership meeting?
 - ii. Terry stated that is correct. All actions of the Board of Governors are subject for the membership approval.
 - i. Mike request that he be able to change the subject.
 - i. Terry stated that he may
4. Equipment Repair Reimbursement:

- a. Mike mentioned that he was talking o Mr. Pat Arron who is our number one grounds keeper. They got talking about the equipment and mowing the grass. Pat mentioned that he has spent over a \$1000.00 on his equipment so that he can continue to cut the grass that belongs to the Legion property. I would like a motion to reimburse Pat for these expenses.
- b. Bill mentioned that he thought this was discussed back in June and remembers that Pat has spent a lot of his own money. We need to make some (could not understand word) to reimburse him for this. I think what Pat should do is submit a list of the expenses that he paid for out of his own pocket to Board for approval for reimbursement.
- c. Mike: I don't think he will do that. I expressed the feeling that he should not have to pay for repair of his equipment to mow our grass.
- d. Bill: Pat needs to be told that we out here appreciate what he is doing and feel that he should not have to pay for these repairs for maintaining out grounds.
- e. John: The right thing would be if work is going to be done on our property to user our property. However we are not in a position to use our equipment and we are obligated to reimburse him for his expenses. For future planning it would be interesting to talk to Pat to see how much longer he will be able to keep this equipment running. We need to get our equipment up and running instead of just patching it up like we have been in the past.
- f. Terry: Is everyone in agreement with reimbursing Pat. All agreed that Pat needs to be reimbursed for the expense he has incurred to keep our grounds maintained.
 - i. Mike will see about getting the receipts for reimbursement.
- g. Now as a follow up to this we need to set aside a certain amount of money to budget equipment expenses.
 - i. Terry would like to see a separate account with say \$1000.00 for equipment repair to be budgeted by the Farm Chairman.
- h. Election of Board of Governors Vice Chairman and Secretary:
 - i. Mike brought up that Gary mentioned that a Vice Chairman and Secretary needs to be nominated and elected to the Board of governors. He asked Terry if he would like to take on this position again.
 - 1. Terry stated sure.
 - ii. Mike stated that Gary informed him that if he was nominated and elected he will fill the Secretary position for the Board of Governors.
 - iii. Bill made the motion to nominate Terry Hobbs as Vice Chairman and Gary Thomas as Secretary of the Board of governors.
 - 1. There was no other nominations.
 - iv. Terry questioned if there is any discussions for this nomination:
 - 1. John stated that the only question he has is if there is a quorum for voting on the board.
 - a. Mike informed him that there is no quorum for the Board of Governors.
 - b. John stated that if there is no quorum than he votes yes.
 - c. Terry was elected the Vice Chairman and Gary the Secretary for the Board of Governors with a unanimous decision.
 - d. Terry stated that this needs to be forwarded up to the Membership Meeting.

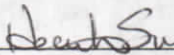
5. Reading of Minutes for August 30, 2016:

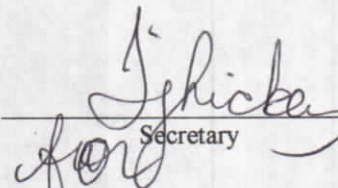
- a. Mike gave John the minutes to read due to the lighting was bad.
 - i. The propane rate will turn to winter rate next week. We will order 400 gallons at \$1.14 per gallon this week. So on that topic there I don't know if they filled it yet or not. The propane tank has been on our list to do. It is still sinking, it looks like a sub to go into deep water.
 - ii. A letter was received from Thomas Martin requesting the Post trim or remove a dying Ash tree that is within 25 feet of his Morton building. Command will verify with the insurance company as to who is responsible if it breaks or fall onto his property. To the commanders knowledge it would be Martins insurance.
 - iii. The first stage in property stake lines will begin at any day. R. Houston will contact us the day he can come out Need a member present to help locate the stakes. This will save the Post \$65.00 an hour for second man power. Second state will occur in the fall when trees are bare.
 - iv. Hay rides are beginning to be booked.
 - v. Reminder to members, before beginning to work or repair items contact the chairperson of that department.
- b. Terry questioned if there is any discussion on these items.
 - i. Mike mentioned that he is just wondering what we are surveying for and should this of been brought up at a meeting.

1. Terry stated that he hasn't been to t if it did he was not he hasn't been to a meeting for some time.
 2. Mike stated that he hasn't seen anything in the minutes that he requested from Gary.
 3. Terry I know we have discussed surveyors about 5 to 6 months ago and that Tammy was authorized the money at the membership meeting.
- ii. John stated that the only issue with the survey. From his understanding there should only be two reason for the survey. First reason was to fix the corner of the road and the second was what he remembers was to secure a loan but did not need it for the line of credit.
 - a. Mike: We do not need it for line of credit.
 - iii. John: For the record my question are we doing the survey to not only do the line of credit but also come back and secure a physical loan from the bank. That would be the question to bring up in the minutes or researching why (not for approval or disapproval). I am not understanding why we are having the property (could not hear the last word for printing in minutes).
 - iv. Mike if it is for straighten out the road, we are wasting money at this time. Money that we don't have.
 - v. John: I do know that Illinois real estate you cannot get a (sounded like) womb unless there is a physical life time easement.
 - vi. Bill: They do have an easement on all the property. A question came up that we sold the corner to Tom Martin. With all the time I have been out here it was not sold to Tom Martin. I thought Tammy brought that up to the man from Ridical Co. or whatever it was and he said that we did not see it to Martin. From what I can see the only thing that we would need the survey for is to fix that corner stake, fix the stakes on Jefferson road so we know the exact width of the road, and to set the boundaries for when the loggers were out here cutting but it is too late for that now.
 - vii. John: The other issue is the Ash tree. We need to see what tree it is. If we cut it down and it falls on his building, we are liable. There is no way he will agree with him cutting it down and if it falls on his building it would be his responsibility. I would advise that we wait to see if there was an actual follow up with the insurance.
6. Status of Poker machines:
 - a. John: What is the status of the video poker machines? This is starting to become another Post 58 project that gets off the ground late but no update. That is one of the questions to bring up at the membership meeting.
 7. Terry: Rich (bar tender) any update on the bar?
 - a. Rich: Had a couple of good days and the rest as you see it here.
 - b. Terry questioned that he heard that we needed to stay open seven days a week.
 - i. Rich: Yes, we need to show that we are able to stay days a week
 8. Heather arrived at 1950 and stated that she forgot what day it was and stated that she is out of here.
 9. Meeting adjourned at 1953 PM

MINUTES APPROVED/DISAPPROVED as corrected at General Membership Meeting dated 3/9/17.

Corrections:


Chairman


Secretary