



**General Membership Meeting
The American Legion Post 172
August 21, 2014**

I. Call to Order and Welcome

- a. L. McMahon called meeting to order at 7:06 p.m.

II. Pledge of Allegiance

III. President's Report

IV. Secretary's Report

- a. Attendance: 15 members present
- b. Minutes: R. Elser made a motion to approve the July 17th meeting minutes; second by C. White. Motion carried.
- c. Correspondence:
 - i. Regional Leaders Breakfast – Breakfast on the River Barge Trip Fri 9/5 \$15 – P. Miesner interested in going. R. Elser made a motion to purchase 1 ticket pending confirmation from P. Miesner of his plans to attend; second by S. Cross. Motion carried.

V. Treasurer's Report:

- a. K. Fritz made a motion to approve the July 14th Treasurer's Report; second by K. Wright. Motion carried.
- b. Annual state incorporation has been filed.
- c. Working on budget for next year.

VI. Committee Reports

- a. **Building – Chamber Office Project** (203 N Main St) – J. Wright
 - i. Glass block found at the entrance behind those plain walls
 - ii. Tommy Thompson bought the cabinets
 - iii. Need help tearing down some stuff anyone can volunteer to help contact Jake
 - iv. A/C works but needs charged.
- b. **Citywide Yard Sale** [Oct 11] – S. Huckfeldt
 - i. Sign up at Style Seller, Regions Bank and White's Lumber; form on website
 - ii. Sign up sheet at next meeting to help with donut sales [150 doz.]
- c. **Finance** – R. Elser
 - i. Working on budget; will be picking one of the events to audit.
- d. **Membership/Welcoming** – K. Wright
 - i. New member Sparkey's Club 21 – Larry C. Hochmuth Jr. (D. Rushing)
 - ii. Dues still outstanding R. Elser working on getting reminders out.
- e. **Movies & More** – D. Smith
 - i. Friday 9/12 at 7:00 p.m. – Rio 2 – bring can food for food pantry and receive free popcorn
- f. **PR/Marketing** – R. Elser
 - i. Diva's Day Out – Aug 9th – 10-12 ladies were in attendance, one from Canada; everyone had a great time! They made a pumpkin candle holder out of a brandy glass. \$150 went to Lydia Latham for teaching the glass and supplies. R. Elser made a motion to match the BPW's \$75 donation for this event; second by K. Wright. Motion carried.

- ii. Sign is down; working on internal computer problem which fixed the “time” issue and now waiting on Concept to come out and do some work to replace some parts.
 - iii. Website is updated
- g. **Shooting Complex Liaison** – K. Wright
 - i. Shoot is over. Chamber ad is still up out there..
- h. **Toast of Marissa** [Nov 8] – J. Wright
 - i. Working on Liquor license with Pour House
 - ii. Beer prices set at \$2.50; tip jar for Food Pantry donations will be at the beer stand
 - iii. 50/50 tickets are ready to be picked up; if need more contact Kay Neal
 - iv. River to River timing the run; cheaper than last year
 - v. Stump Water Shine band; 1-6pm
 - vi. Committee is asking the Board to spend an additional \$1,000 on advertising for this event
- i. **Tootin Around** [Sept 27th] – K. Wright
 - i. 12 applications so far
 - ii. The Bike Surgeon is coming
 - iii. Will be giving away a bike at the Movies & More event September 12th
- j. **Village Liaison** – J. Wright
 - i. Streets being resurfaced; should be done by Labor Day
 - ii. Approved for video surveillance cameras for both parks and city shed
 - iii. Sewer project complete; 9 manholes being repaired this fall
 - iv. Cody Mahan has been hired on as full-time officer
 - v. Lyons Club candy drive at 4-way October 17th and 18th
 - vi. Fire Dept will not fill any swimming pools
- k. **Yard of the Month** – M. Minks
 - i. Melissa & Rob Pour on S. Bess

VII. Old Business

- a. S. Cross – golf tournament had an ending profit of \$2,645.94

VIII. New Business

- a. IL Dept Commerce & Economic Opportunity – 9/17 – Southwest Region Make a Connection – learn how to do business with the state and to get help with their resources for helping small businesses. Dist 57 Senator Clayborne will be in attendance - SIU-East St Louis Campus

IX. Attendance Raffle

K. Behn was selected, but not present. \$13 will roll over to the next meeting.

X. Adjourn

- a. J. Wright made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:57 p.m.; second by C. White. Motion carried.