

Executive Committee
28 April 2025

American Legion Post 2
Executive Committee Meeting

Date: Tuesday, May 27, 2025

Time: Meeting Called to Order by: Commander Mike Testerman at **18:28** hrs

Members Present: See attached sign in sheet.

Meeting Minutes: Adjutant: Adjutant Norita Cruz/Assistant Adjutant: Kim DiDomenico

- The meeting minutes for the April meeting were sent out ahead of time for review and are posted on the Legion website.

A motion was made by **Rod** and seconded by **Steven** to approve the April minutes as presented. Motion carried without objection.

Finance Report: Finance Officer: Marty Everett:

Post Checking: \$ 4,253.87

The following expenses have come out:

- \$114 from American Legion for Due
- \$38.24 on Clover
- \$200 mowing at the post property
- \$34 on cell phone

Post Savings Account: \$ 101,065.79

- \$2000 donation from Run for the Wall

- The committee discussed the expense of Intuit quickbook use. With the updated bank technology and ability to track transactions, deposits, and leave notes on the webportal, the double bookkeeping may not be necessary. Rod made a motion to cancel Intuit quickbooks if no longer required. This would save approximately \$2,000 per year. Chris seconded. Motion was carried without objection.

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A motion was made by **Rod** and seconded by **Steven** to approve the finance report as presented. Motion carried without objection.

1st Vice: Membership: Steven Patrick:

- We currently have **512** members active on mylegion (Nashville has us at **522**)
 - 3 memberships were in process
 - We have 158 from the past few years who have not renewed. Some no longer wish to participate. Several are on fixed income and struggle to pay the annual membership rate.
- **98** PUFL- listed on the State site.
- LEGIONKNOX.com domain renewal is up this summer. Steven asked the executive committee what length of year we should renew. The committee agreed to a 5 year renewal at \$110.85.
- LEGIONKNOX.org was no longer owned by us. A 5 year purchase is \$102.85.

A motion was made by **Rod** and seconded by **Chris** to purchase the domain. Motion carried without objection.

- The legionknox.org domain will be forwarded to the legionknox.com site to ensure any inquiries for the post are routed to the best place.

2nd Vice: Kim DiDomenico

- Contract has been signed with Aramark for the fall 2025 football season. We will need volunteers to work the games.

- Ronald Wyndam from High Flight Hero's ROTC Det 800 wants to share an adventure opportunity with the post. We will invite him to speak at an upcoming post meeting.

3rd Vice: Chris Richardson:

- Always can use help keeping the post area clean
- Mowing season is here. We have contracted to have the post mowed and weedeated. The ongoing cost will be \$125 every 2 weeks until another agreement or plan is made.

A motion was made by **Steven** and seconded by **Rod** to approve this expense. Motion carried without objection.

- Several vehicles have been parked at the post property. We discussed the need for several signs to be posted for no parking/private property.

A motion was made by **Rod** and seconded by **Steven** to spend a max of \$200 (without further committee approval) for signage. Motion carried without objection.

Committees:

Riders: Roy O'Neil:

- Next meeting will be held at Knoxville Harley Davidson on June 19th at 6:30pm

Sons: Robert Vergith:

- Next meeting will be held at Knoxville Harley Davidson on June 19th at 7:30pm
- Golf Tournament 16 Aug 2025

Service Officer:

- There is no report.

Building Committee: Randolph Spencer:

- No collaboration update at the moment.

Old Business:

- Bobby Gray is working with the Land Development Survey Team to get the property lines and building placement 100% correct. Should be moving dirt this week.

New Business:

- For the June post meeting meal, Steven discussed some of the concerns with getting a BBQ set up at the pavilion. The meeting will instead be held at the Red Cross. He will be making food arrangements with Patches BBQ and transporting it to the meeting. The meal will be free for folks attending. They can donate if they wish.
- Thanks to everyone who participated in the Reading of the Names and the Memorial Day Ceremony. The East Tennessee Fire Chaplain Association - Paul T. helped organize their outreach to bring a portable bathroom for the event. Steven was going to get a "Thank you" for him.
- Bobby Gray will get with Claiborne hauling when the weather breaks to get dirt hauled in.
- Property / Building site has been re-surveyed and marked.
- Sammie Cox is the new 2nd District Commander
- Bob Vergith is the new SAL commander

Good of the Legion:

- The Department Convention will be at Embassy Suites Murfreesboro June 13-15. (Rooms are sold out) We discussed having Rod and possibly Chris serve as representatives for the post.
- National convention will be held in Tampa August 21-28, 2025
- 2026 Mid Winter Conference will be at Embassy Suites Murfreesboro
- For 2026, the Department convention will be at the Music City Sheraton
- We will be beta testing a new American Legion portal through ESAMS to test streamlining membership and other administrative tasks. Sandy is working with the IT Department at National HQ.

June Calendar

2nd Post 2 AL Meeting @ Red Cross
19th ALR Meeting @ Knoxville Harley Davidson at 6:30pm
19th SAL Meeting @ Knoxville Harley Davidson at 7:30pm
23rd Executive Committee Meeting @ Red Cross

July Calendar

- 7th Post 2 AL Meeting @ Red Cross
- 17th ALR Meeting @ Knoxville Harley Davidson at 6:30pm
- 17th SAL Meeting @ Knoxville Harley Davidson at 7:30pm
- 28th Executive Committee Meeting @ Red Cross

August Calendar

- 4th Post 2 AL Meeting @ Red Cross
- 16th SAL Golf Outing @ Three Ridges Golf Course
- 21st ALR Meeting @ Knoxville Harley Davidson at 6:30pm
- 21st SAL Meeting @ Knoxville Harley Davidson at 7:30pm
- 25th Executive Committee Meeting @ Red Cross

Next Post Meeting: June 2, 2025, 1800 hrs, Red Cross Building

Next Executive Committee Meeting: June 23 , 2025, 1830 hrs, Red Cross Building

Motion to Adjourn was made by **Marty** and seconded by **Rod**. Motion carried without objection.

Meeting Adjourned @**2022** hrs