



MEETING MINUTES — POST 70

Meeting was held 12/11/2023. Nine members were present. All Officers were present, except the Commander who called in sick and was excused and the First Vice who was not excused. Chaplain is still open. We had two guests: District 3 Adjutant Michael McLellan and District 3 Commander Paul Evans. Ernie thanked them for attending.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 by Adjutant Ernie Henry. Ernie led a prayer as Acting Chaplain, followed by recitation of the Preamble and Pledge of Allegiance and placement of the POW flag.

Roll Call of Officers was held.

Minutes of the November meeting were read and accepted.

Financial Officer Reports: The reports were read and accepted.

Post Service Officer's Report: Gave a report that he is going after new members and will give us an update at our next meeting.

New Business:

Shriners Can Tab Donations: Ernie read a thank-you from the Shriners for our support in this program.

Rockingham Meals on Wheels: We have received a request for donations. Ernie suggested \$100. Motion made, seconded, and passed.

Toys for Tots: We contribute every year. Ernie suggested \$100. Motion made, seconded, and passed.

St Jude's Children's Hospital: Ernie suggested a donation of \$100. Motion made, seconded, and passed.

New Members: Ernie announced that there were no applications received this



month, probably due to the holidays.

Old Business:

Holiday Parties: All is ready for the Children’s Party on Saturday. Looks like the AUX has done a great job as usual – we have received 94 requests for attendance. We’d like to mention one person in particular for outstanding help: Cassie Finch, who as usual has done a great job in purchasing the toys and wrapping the gifts. She is always there for us. New Year’s is all set, tickets are for sale at the Bar: \$25 includes food, party favors. . This year, it is catered professionally!

Guests: Ernie invited the District Commander Paul Evans to address us. He started by thanking Post 70 for our efforts toward Membership and work in the community, and asked if there is anything they can do for us. He stressed that our efforts are appreciated and keep on working on it.

The District 3 Adjutant Michael McLellan is also the Adjutant for Post 67 in Exeter and spoke about how important it is to continue recruiting new members and also brought up the fact that bringing new members into the Legion is a great “plus”. We need young members to move forward. He brought up the fact that National had voted to raise the dues starting in 2025 by \$5 at the Convention. Posts will have to do likewise on their dues. The Department may do that also for 2026.

Website Report: Cathie’s report was distributed to attendees prior to the meeting. Ernie brought up that Cathie is doing a great job on the website, and it is helping the Post with Hall Rentals, Membership, and great PR with the Seabrook community. There was some confusion expressed about two issues: the \$199 renewal fee for 2024 and the absence of Minutes from Members Only page for October and November. To clarify, there had been a software upgrade that interfered with creation of the web PDF of October. They will be posted tomorrow morning. As for November, those Minutes have to be approved on the floor prior to publication member-wide. They were so approved today in this session. As for the \$199 renewal, some think it is an additional charge paid to Cathie and it is not. Even our guests confirmed that this is a renewal for the domain and web hosting of our site, payable to Legionsites.com, the same as the Department and other

Posts have to do.

Ernie, as acting Chaplain, led the group in a closing prayer, retirement of the POW/MIA flag and colors of our country, and closed the meeting at 8:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Ernest Henry, Adjutant

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WEBSITE CONTENT MANAGEMENT STATUS REPORT

December 11, 2023

Contract Status: From November 14 to December 11, under our Phase 2 Contract, I have performed 1 hour of work. All of it was under the scope of our Phase 2 Contract and under the estimated 2 hours a month. I have submitted my Invoice to Ernie for payment for my quarterly retainer which covers 2 hours a month paid in advance at \$75/hour = \$450. With that invoice, I will be paid through the 14th of March 2024, which marks the end of our existing contract period. I look forward to discussing renewal when appropriate.

Email Communications: The Post70NH@gmail.com email account continues to generate activity. From November 14 to December 11, there were 5 website-generated incoming emails as follows:

- 1 – Membership
- 2 - Post 70 Events
- 1 - Veterans Services
- 1 – Bands
- 3 – Advertising/Marketing Inquiries (unfortunately)

I continue to check it manually at least twice a day then follow up with Ernie and/or Traci as appropriate.

Program Group Support. I continue to welcome opportunities to provide website and document support to the Post, AUX, SAL, and the ALR whenever requested. Flyers made available to me are quickly posted on SPECIAL EVENTS and/or WHAT'S HAPPENING pages as appropriate. Most notably, on November 7 the Riders sent me their TV Raffle flyer and it was posted on the aforementioned pages and also their home page (see right screenshot) within hours of receipt. I hope the exposure helped with their promotion.

CHAPTER 70 AMERICAN LEGION RIDERS

MEETINGS: 1ST. THURS. OF THE MONTH @ 7PM.

We also sponsor the Friday night **Meat Raffle Games** every 4th week of the month in the CANTEEN.

DECEMBER 7, 2023: ALR RAFFLE FOR 65" LG TELEVISION

\$5.00 PER TICKET

ALL PROCEEDS WILL GO TO THE ANGEL FUND

IN MEMORY OF JENNIFER KALICKI.

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Website Updates and Document Rescue for Small Businesses

Your Words are My Business

Newsletter: I will be working on the final USPS mailing version of the Newsletter this week, as approved in the November meeting. I am not charging for the document itself, since I previously prepared a draft for the Commander to justify this “last notice” mailing and my work was mostly done for that purpose. I will, however, be submitting a bill for my time on the mailing list itself, under new instructions to “scrub” it to eliminate sending multiple copies to one address. This issue will carry January-February-March calendar content. Going forward, preparing the Newsletter document drafts, final approved copy, and posting it on the website will be rolled into our 2024 contract.

Website Renewal: The renewal date with Legionsites.com is January 17, 2024. The renewal cost is \$199 for one year. It can be renewed online, and Ernie is aware of this.

In Closing: December 16 is the one-year anniversary of my first visit to Post 70. Thanks to the Commander for literally opening the door for me into the building for that appointment with Ernie. I continue to try to make things better and take pride in the work I do for you.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

Respectfully,

Cathie Clark

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Seabrook Legion Activity Log -- November 14 to December 11, 2023

Journal Type	Subject	Start Date	Start Time	Duration	Detail
Task	Phase 2 - Site Updates -	11/20/2023	7:00:00 PM	15	WHAT'S HAPPENING –Add Stone Broke Band and flyer for Saturday, Nov 25, Update ALR Raffle on Friday, Nov 24. MEMBERSHIP MATTERS – Updated Membership numbers for 2024 from Ernie.
Task	Phase 2 - Site Updates -	11/23/2023	2:00:00 PM	5	WHAT'S HAPPENING –Remove Stone Broke Band and replace with B-rad Dance Night for Saturday, Nov 25. EVENTS CALENDAR – Fix Saturday night lineup in accordance with above.
Task	Phase 2 - Site Updates -	11/30/2023	12:00:00 PM	10	WHAT'S HAPPENING –Add Hatt Trikk Band for Saturday, Dec 2, Update AUX Meat Raffle on Friday, Dec 1.
Task	Phase 2 - Site Updates -	12/7/2023	11:00:00 AM	10	WHAT'S HAPPENING –Save GhostRiderz flyer jpg for Saturday, Dec 9, create PDF, upload and update listing, Update Sons Meat Raffle on Friday, Dec 8. Since link no longer works, removed Breast Cancer Walk item. SPECIAL EVENTS – Remove Thanksgiving Dinner Flyer, replace with Ghost Riderz jpg.
Task	Phase 2 - Site Updates -	12/10/2023	11:00:00 AM	10	WHAT'S HAPPENING –Save Granite State Rockers flyer jpg for Saturday, Dec 16, create PDF, upload and update listing, Update AUX Meat Raffle on Friday, Dec 15. MEMBERSHIP MATTERS – Update 2024 Membership percentage to 77% (per Ernie).
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