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MONTHLY MINUTES FOR September 8, 2009

Opening ceremonies for an open meeting conducted in accordance with Veterans of Foreign Wars Ritual; meeting opened at 1330, September 8, 2009.

ROLL CALL OF OFFICERS:

Commander Frank B. Hilliard IV	Present
Senior Vice Commander Calvin "Sonny" Dozier	Present
Junior Vice Commander Thomas Darkus	Present
Quartermaster Norman Smith	Present
Judge Advocate Arthur L. Gaspard	Present
Surgeon David Pound	Present
Chaplain Paul Bensusan	Present
Trustee One John Mesaros	Present
Trustee Two Mike Kelley	Excused
Trustee Three Tim Aukshun	Excused

Appointed Positions	
Adjutant John D. "JD" Keller	Present
Safety Officer	Vacant
Service Officer "Sonny" Dozier	Present
Post House Committee Chairman Arthur L. Gaspard	Present
Elementary Schools Chairman Roger Limle	Present

There are 25 members in attendance

Commander Hilliard made the following temporary appointment for this meeting: Comrade Dozier -- OOD.

Commander Hilliard recognized the following distinguished attendees. All Past Seam Squirrels, All Past Post, District and Department Commanders.

READING, REFERRING, MEMBERSHIP APPLICATIONS

We currently have 217 Life members, 8 reinstates, 8 continuous, 9 unpaid continuous, and 1 New, for a total of 243 members.

This is 102% of our last years total membership.

READING OF MINUTES

The Minutes from the last meeting have been posted and distributed.

A motion to accept the August 11, 2009 Minutes subject to any corrections was made by Comrade Keller, seconded by Comrade Webber. Approved.

QUARTERMASTER'S REPORT

Given in detail by the Quartermaster. Motion to accept as audited by QM Smith. Second by Comrade Dozier. Approved

READING OF BILLS.

None.

IS THERE A COMRADE OR THE FAMILY OF A COMRADE IN DISTRESS?

Comrade Ross is still undergoing Chemo therapy in Las Vegas, expects to be home late September.

Comrade Raymundo Hermosa, a WWII veteran, was just released from the hospital. He lost his wife last month, and we loaned him P10,000.00 to assist in his debts related to burying his wife. He as repaid P5,000.00. Comrade Smith, made a motion for the post to condone the remaining P5,000.00. Seconded by Comrade Gaspard. Approved.

REPORT OF OFFICERS

Service Officer	Attachment #1
Surgeon	Attachment #2
Judge Advocate	None
Chaplain	None

COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN REPORTS

Buddy Poppy	P440.00
Bingo	Verbal
Community Activities	Verbal
Safety	None (Safety Officer resigned.)(Accepted.)
Post House Committee	Verbal
Elementary School	Attachment #3
Chili Cook Off Committee	Verbal

REMEMBER OUR NATIONAL HOME

Chaplain Bensusan said a prayer in remembrance.

READING OF OFFICIAL AND OTHER CORRESPONDENCE

Inspection report reviewed by Commander Hilliard.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

The motion from the last meeting regarding assistance to the local Orphanage has resulted in some distressful findings. SVC and Surgeon both expounded. Motion made by Comrade Gaspard, Seconded by SVC Dozier to not have a Christmas party this year for the Orphanage. Approved.

Post Inspection was completed by the assigned inspector, John Noel Kramer on Sunday September 6, 2009. The only discrepancy pending is the eligibility of one of our officer's, which is questionable.

NEW BUSINESS

JVC Darkus presented a request from the Grace Mountain Mission for assistance in purchasing $\frac{3}{4}$ " Plywood for flooring in their new building. Total requested is out of our range of assistance, as they need P44,000.00 to purchase this amount of Marine Plywood. Motion made to assist in the amount of P12,000.00 by Comrade Darkus. Seconded by Comrade Keller. Passed.

Comrade Russell made a motion to rescind the support to the Orphanage in the amount of P12,000.00. Seconded by SVC Dozier. Approved.

Comrade Larry Hignight was appointed as Safety Officer by the Commander.

GOOD OF THE ORDER

Comrade Hignight donated a spent 20mm shell accompanied with one of his "Purple Heart" medals for display in our post. An appropriate cabinet will be constructed to display this. Thank you Comrade Hignight.

Comrade Gaspard reminded all regarding the Chili Cook Off Raffle Tickets are available for sale.

50/50 DRAWING

Comrade Draskowski and Comrade Webber each won a free dinner. Comrade Nielson won P1,350.00.

Meeting closed at 1415, hours in accordance with VFW ritual. Next meeting will be October 13, 2009.

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Approved

/s/John D. "JD" Keller
Adjutant

/s/Frank B Hilliard IV
Commander

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