



## Robert H. Baker American Legion Post 95 Meeting Minutes of November 19, 2024

With thirteen (13) members and one (1) guest present

Don Happy, G. Ray Nichols, Tina Petterson, Paul Ellison, Mike Edwards, Jeff Watt, Jim Elliott, Ed Cullumber, Bud Taylor, Tim Jefferson, Ron McBee, Fr. Thomas Kirchoefer, and Robert Emery.

GUEST: Andrew Silva

Post 95 Commander Tina Petterson proceeded to open the meeting at 19:00 HRS

Post 95 Commander Tina Petterson led the Post in salute to the colors.

Post 95 Chaplin G. Ray Nichols held moment of silence in honor of Ron Sch passing away.

Post 95 Chaplin G. Ray Nichols gave the opening prayer.

Post 95 Commander Tina Petterson led the post in the Pledge of Allegiance and reading the Preamble.

Post 95 Commander Tina Petterson asked for reading the minutes from the last Post 95 meeting.

Jeff Watt made a motion to forgo reading of the minutes, G. Ray Nichols seconded the motion and the motion passed.

**Guests or New Members:** Post 95 Commander Tina Petterson asked if here were any new members present.

Jeff Watt introduced Andrew Silva

Andrew Silva talked a little about himself and his service.

### **Finance Report:**

Post 95 Commander Tina Petterson asked for the finance report from Post 95 Finance Officer Don Happy.

September

Beginning Balance	\$ 5,546.47
Deposits:	\$ 492.50
Withdrawals:	\$ 1286.85
Service Charge	\$ 3.00
Ending Balance:	\$ 4,792.12

Post 95 Finance Officer Don Happy reported the Building fund CD ten thousand (\$10,000) and had accrued five hundred sixty five dollars and nineteen cents (\$565.19).

Post 95 Finance Officer Don Happy reported he had added eight hundred forty six dollars and thirteen cents (\$846.13) bringing the total amount to eleven Thousand four hundred eleven dollars and thirty two cents (\$11,411.32)

Since Edward R. Jones only takes CD's out in one thousand (\$1000) dollar increments

Post 95 Finance Officer Don Happy took out a new CD in the amount of eleven thousand (\$11,000) dollars at four point two percent (4.2%) and would mature on 10/23/25.

Post 95 Finance Officer Don Happy put the excess funds four hundred eleven dollars and thirty two cents (\$411.32) in a money market account.



Post 95 Finance Officer Don Happy reported the other CD in the amount of fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) would mature on 2/26/25.

Paul Ellison made a motion to accept finance report as given. G. Ray Nichols seconded the motion and the motion passed.

**MEMBERSHIP:**

Post 95 Adjutant Robert Emery reported so far paid up membership was eighty eight (88) with membership goal being set at one hundred seventy six (176) for 2025 membership year..

**Flag Etiquette:**

Post 95 Flag Etiquette Chairman Mike Edwards was waiting to hear from the Catholic school for the class schedule.

**Honor Guard:**

Post 95 Honor Team Commander Mike Edwards said there was a funeral scheduled for this Wednesday..

**Oratorical: NO REPORT**

**Cadet Patrol:**

Robert Emery reported the 2025 session was scheduled for June 8<sup>th</sup> thru the 13<sup>th</sup> in Jefferson City at the Missouri Highway Patrol Academy.

**Boys and Girls State:**

Robert Emery reported Missouri Girls State and Missouri Boys were scheduled for June 21<sup>st</sup> through the 28<sup>th</sup> at Lindenwood College.

G. Ray Nichols asked if Missouri Cadet Patrol would also be held at Lindenwood College. Robert Emery reported it would be held at the Missouri Highway Patrol Academy in Jefferson City.

**Sickness and Distress:**

Post 95 Commander Tina Petterson asked if there were and members of family members in sickness or distress.

G. Ray Nichols said that Ray Crestwell was back in the VA Hospital and that Gordon Williams was having dizzy spells.

**Old Business:**

Jeff Watt thanked everyone for coming out and supporting the Liberty Veterans Day program and talked to four possible new Post members.

Everyone was impressed with the program and said they would be back next year.

Jeff Watt reported that there were two council members and the mayor in attendance.

Jeff Watt had talked about Paul Ellison's service.

Jeff Watt thanked everyone who had helped.

G. Ray Nichols talked about the CARSTAR Veterans Appreciation event and wanted to have the Post donate one hundred (\$100) dollars thanking them for the program.

Paul Ellison made a motion to donate one hundred (\$100) dollars to CARSTAR thanking them for the program, G. Ray Nichols seconded the motion and the motion passed.

**CORRESPONDANCE: NONE TO BE READ**



**New Business:**

Don Happy reported all of the paper work had been completed and sent in to return the Honor Team Rifles and receive replacements now is just waiting for the rifle shipment. Don Happy reported since the rifles could not be sent to a private residence or P.O. Box he would have the sent to Jeff Watts office.

Jeff Watt had received a request from a group looking for a Veteran in need to adopt for the holidays.

G. Ray Nichols suggested Ray Crestwell would be a good candidate, the Post Agreed as well. Jeff Watt will give them the information.

Tina Petterson asked Jeff Watt about Wreaths Across America. Jeff Watt said things have been busy but so far only one hundred five wreaths have been paid for.

Post 95 Commander Tina Petterson what the Post wants to do for December

Jim Elliott suggested just a normal meeting

It was decided to just have a regular meeting in December

**VA:.**

Post 95 Commander Tina Petterson asked our two VA reps if they had any comments

Fr Thomas Kichoefer talked about construction at the VA

Ron McBee said if anyone had questions to contact him.

Post 95 Chaplin G. Ray Nichols gave the closing prayer.

Post 95 Commander Tina Petterson led Post in salute to colors.

Post 95 Commander Tina Petterson closed the meeting in due form at 19:34 HRS

Submitted \_\_\_\_\_ Approved \_\_\_\_\_  
Robert C. Emery – Adjutant Tina Peterson - Commander