

**Minutes of S. Gus Alexander, Jr. Memorial American Legion Post 111,
Department of Texas
Meeting**

07 MARCH 2007

Regular Meeting Called to Order by William G. Hawkins, Vice Commander, at 1900 hours.

Roll Call of Officers

Gary Poplin, Commander – Excused
William Hawkins, Vice Commander – Present
S.A. LeJune, Judge Advocate – Present
Pat Sansom, Finance Officer – Present
Jim Swafford Sergeant at Arms-Present
 Acting Service Officer Jerry Adams – Absent
Jeff Perkins, Historian - Present
 Charles Nations, Chaplain – Absent
 Sandy Hudson, Trustee – Absent
Pat McEnroe, Trustee – Present
 Jim Beachler, Trustee – Excused

Other Voting Members Present:	3
Gary Smith, Frank Brown, Clearance Baker	
Guests Present : Wardell Bowman	1
SAL	0
AL Auxiliary	0
Total Voting Members Present:	9

Opening ceremonies were held.

The minutes from the Feb. 2007 meeting was read and made available to the membership. Minutes were also distributed via e-mail.

Motion to approve as published was made by S.A. Le June and seconded by Clarence Baker, Motion carried.

Guest was introduced to the membership by Clarence Baker. The guest's name is Wardell Bowman and he expressed a desire to join Post 111. Mr. Bowman was given the paperwork to fill out. Paperwork was submitted to the membership. Motion was made by S.A. Le June to accept Mr. Bowman as a member subject to his submitting a copy of his DD214 and payment of his membership dues by the next meeting. Motion seconded by Clarence Baker and approved by the membership with all members voting in the affirmative.

Committee Reports:

Finance report was given by Pat Samson. Motion to accept finance report subject to audit was made be S.A. subject to audit and seconded by Frank. Motion carried.

Gary Smith reported on the progress of the web site and stated that he still need bios from some of the officers and members, there is also information on the web site regarding the son of Mrs. Alexander, for whom this Post is named after. He is still looking for the bios of the rest of the members and officers.

Frank reported on the details for a fish fry. Included in his report was a printed breakdown of the cost and the tentative dates. A copy of such was distributed to all members present. Frank also stated that any member wishing to donate goods would allow us to reduce the overhead cost. It was agreed that this event would be held on the 5th of May from 3PM to 7PM. With the alternate date being May 12, 2007. It was decided that we would further explore the proposed garage sale with Gary when he returns and report this at the April meeting. Motion was made by S.A. that we have the Fish Fry on the 5th of May 2007 and seconded by Jim. Motion carried.

Jeff reported on the coins. They are in and we have already sold some. Others have been distributed to members for sale. We have a total of 300 in the first shipment and will be sold at \$10:00 each. When these are sold we can reorder up to a limit of 1000 so it is in our best interest to sell as many and as fast as we can.

Jim Swafford was introduced to the membership by William Hawkins.

S.A. LeJune gave a building committee report and stated there is much work to be done in and around the building and that we do need help from other members as Gary Poplin works his butt off, but we cannot expect Gary to do it all. We need the help of others as time permit and would welcome your help. He also stated that we also need to continue to recruit new and younger members who will be active members as we are getting older and need some younger bodies to do some of the work around here.

Sick Call: It was announced that Jerry Adams dad died and his wife had a pacemaker inserted.

New Business:

Correspondence was read to the group regarding events taking place in Cedar Hill and the surrounding communities. Members were also informed of upcoming District events taking place in the near future. A report was given regarding our participation in the Boys' State program. Donations were solicited to help defray the cost of sending an additional girl to the conference this year.

Discussion was held regarding what kinds of activities members would like to see take place at the Legion in the future. We will continue these discussions and William Hawkins has agreed to spearhead this effort.

Discussion was held regarding extending our warranty on our A/C unit. The membership agreed that we should do so for a period of one year provided the building qualify for such an extension.

William Hawkins agreed to look into the warranty extension on our air and heating unit.

After some discussion it was also decided by the membership that Pat, Gary and Hawk explore all options for our electrical services prior to extending our contract with Tara energy and select the best offer.

A brief discussion was held regarding other things we can do to enhance the Legion. At the last meeting, William Hawkins agreed to spearhead this effort. I will do this but suggested that we get the Fish Fry out the way and I will concentrate my efforts toward this in the future, with the help of other members.

The suggestion was also made by William Hawkins that we consider better utilization of our back lot and be prepared to discuss this at the next meeting.

S.A. will be holding a meeting on March 21, to discuss a fundraiser. He will also be providing all the food for this meeting and invite all to attend.

We would like to thank Clarence for donating the hotdogs for the meeting.

Closing ceremonies were held.

Meeting adjourned at 2020 hours Local Time.

This meeting was taped and transcribed by William G. Hawkins, Vice Commander

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