



Sons of the American Legion Squadron 90

Meeting Minutes

September 8, 2025

1. Meeting called to order at 1900 by Commander John Baker. Electronically recorded and notes by Adjutant Keith Berres.
2. Opening ceremonies conducted.
3. Roll call of Officers: First Vice Commander Chris Antonelis absent, Historian open. 6 officers and 3 members, Quorum met.
4. August meeting minutes were posted. **Motion made by Mark Keeling, seconded by Sean Wing to accept the minutes as posted. No discussion, motion carried.**
5. Adjutant reported no new members or transfers.
6. Commander, John Baker, reported:
 - a. We are doing the Early Bird dinner and will need volunteers. Let the Commander know if you can help. **Motion made by Mark Keeling to approve \$250 for Early Bird dinner if needed, seconded by Keith Berres, no discussion. Motion carried.**
 - b. Thank you to Jay Bissell and Larry Horner for helping with Labor Day lunch.
7. First Vice Commander no report.
8. Second Vice Commander, Larry Horner, reported:
 - a. Thank you to everyone that participated in last month's basket. Especially, Sean and Scott who made major contributions.
 - b. Christmas Cash for our next basket in December. In lieu of a basket add a few things for the grand prize.
9. Finance Officer, Mark Keeling, reported:
 - a. Basket cost \$136.61, collected \$790, profit of \$653.39.
 - b. Finance Report for August 2025 by Mark Keeling: Beginning balance on August 1st was \$5,367.16. Deposits made were \$658.00, withdrawals were \$258.00 and checks cleared were 214.61. Closing balance on August 31st was \$5,552.55. Outstanding checks \$420.50. Designated funds of \$2,058.43 for Honor Flight. The available balance is \$3,073.62. **Motion made by Sean Wing, seconded by Larry Horner to accept the financial report subject to audit. No discussion. Motion passed.**
 - c. **Motion to purchase a shirt for \$40 so the Adjutant has one as he does not have one made by Mark Keeling, seconded by Larry Horner. Discussion: Mark stated that other officers brought up getting shirts also, this would cost \$320. Sean stated that it is a long tradition that all officers get a shirt every year. Motion passed.**
 - d. **Motion made to get shirts for all the officers by Elon Herschfeld, seconded by Nick Napalitano. Discussion about dates on them. John not in favor of the dates or positions, agrees with the purchase. Agreed that officers can choose what they wanted to have printed on it. Motion passed. Mark Keeling to handle.**
10. Adjutant, Keith Berres, reported:

- a. Time to renew. Membership is at 26.58%. Our goal is 237 members, we have 6 new, 57 renewals.
We are ahead of the goals and working on the November goal.
- 11. Sergeant-At-Arms, Tony Truzzilino, nothing to report.
- 12. Chaplain, Elon Hertzfeld, nothing to report.
- 13. Historian – Open
- 14. Judge Advocate - Open
- 9. Committee Reports:
 - a. Legion Advisor
 - i. Post Color Guard leading the parade. Need someone to carry SAL flag. Larry Horner volunteered to carry the flag.
 - ii. Looking for Honor Guard participants.
 - b. Be the One
 - i. Keith brought up the Columbia Protocol.
 - ii. John mentioned a Be the One training coming up.
 - c. Honor Flight
 - i. The Legion check donated based on the Red Sox volunteers has been sent.
 - ii. Three pictures were added to the wall.
- 10. Old Business
 - a. None
- 11. New Business:
 - a. John to push that the 50/50 on Sundays to be done by the SAL.
- 12. Correspondence: None
- 13. Good of the Squadron:
 - a. Keith shared that the NEF was discussed at National Convention and that the situation with the SAL will be fixed.
 - b. Keith also shared how the American Legion has influenced several young adults and how important it is when wearing the shirt to respect the organization. Sean added that no political items should be worn when wearing a Legion shirt at the same time.
- 14. **Motion to adjourn by Sean Wing, second by Elon Herschfeld. No discussion, motion passed.** Closing ceremonies conducted.

Meeting was adjourned at 1939.