TROY AMERICAN LEGION RIDERS CHAPTER 49 JUNE MEETING MINUTES

The June 11th meeting was called to order at 1800 hrs. Opening ceremonies were performed.

ROLL CALL: There were 12 members present.

SECRETARY'S REPORT: The May minutes were read. There was one addition to the minutes. The Play and Stay golf package at Split Rock Golf Course Thru Triple A was added to the auction items for the golf tournament. A motion was made to accept the minutes. Motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT: The Treasurer's report was read. An itemized report of our golf tournament was handed out for those who wished to read it. A motion to accept the reports was made. Motion carried.

ROAD CAPTAIN'S REPORT: We had 6 bikes participate in the Coal Festival Parade in Blossburg. We were well received and will be invited back next year. We had 8 bikes in the Troy Memorial Day Parade. Bob asked if there were any riders interested in participating in the Mansfield Fourth of July Parade. The parade is slated to begin at 5 pm. He will reach out to the parade committee for more information. We were reminded of the Paws for a Cause ride in two weeks. Volunteers are needed to do registration. The Animal Care Sanctuary will be doing a 50/50. Mike Powers will arrange for donuts for the registration and Bob will pick them up. Our Rainbow Riders benefit will be held on July 9th. Bob is still waiting on a date for the Troy Fire Dept ride. We are having an overnight open ride to Gettysburg on September 16th.

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE REPORT: No new members to report.

OLD BUSINESS: A discussion was held on our golf tournament. We discussed what areas needed to be addressed for an even better tournament next year. Next year's tournament is slated to be held on May 19th, 2024, the weekend before Memorial Day.

NEW BUSINESS: A discussion was held dealing with having a clambake later this year. It was decided to possibly look at this event for next year. A discussion was held on donating quarterly to the Bath VA Veterans Fund. A motion was made to donate quarterly to this fund. Motion was carried. A request was received from the Bradford County Manor to supply sweatshirts to veterans who live there. A motion was made to provide the sweatshirts with the respective veteran's branch of service on the back along with their name on front. Motion carried. A motion was made to donate to the Healing Waters Potter County Chapter of Trout Unlimited for their 3 day event. Veterans suffering with PTSD, TBI, and other associated issues are transported, housed, fed, and get to experience fly fishing in Costello, Pa. Motion carried. We financially supported a veteran whose family member was in need of hospitalization. Unfortunately, this was postponed due to a scheduling conflict. It is now a go and the monies will be distributed for the veteran. On November 11th, the Troy VFW will be hosting a dinner/dance for members and any veteran in the area. This will be a semi-formal event. It was discussed that we set up a blind fund for those veterans who may not have the financial ability

to pay for their plus one. A motion was made to initially donate to this fund and if more money is needed we will donate more. Motion carried. On July 3rd, the Vets Club will be hosting an Independence Day celebration. It will start at 1700 hrs. Fireworks will start around 2100 hrs. There will be face painting, games, basket raffles, etc. A motion was made to sponsor a hole for the SAL golf tournament. Motion carried.

SECOND READING OF OFFICERS FOR 2023/2024:

DIRECTOR: Nancy Sheffield

ASSISTANT DIRECTOR: Mike Powers

SECRETARY: Steve Chappell **TREASURER:** Jenifer Putnam

ROAD CAPTAIN: Bob Calkins, Keith Putnam

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CORRESPONDENCE: A letter was read from the Pennsylvania American Legion Housing for Homeless Veterans requesting a gift of some sort or monetary donation. A motion was made for a gift card to donate. Motion carried. This event will be held in Wyalusing, Pa

GOOD OF THE CHAPTER: Many roads are in the process of being tarred and chipped. Be aware. Bike Nite is this coming Wednesday. We all thank Bob for his service as Road Captain for the last 8 years.

Closing ceremonies were performed and the meeting adjourned at 1955 hours.