Edward W. Thompson American Legion Post #49
Minutes – Regular Membership Meeting – 7PM to 8:25PM July 2, 2009

Colors in place – hand salute/ followed by Chaplain prayer / POW-MIA/ pledge of allegiance, preamble to constitution, rap of gavel, all sit.

Roll Call:

Commander Stan Wakild P
Sr. Vice Doug Nelson – P
Jr. Vice Kevin Ferguson -EA
Chaplain Val Beer – P
Historian Malcolm Bertorelli -A
Finance Officer Dennis Barton - P
Adjutant Paul Hogan - P
Judge Advocate Vern Harsch – P
Service Officer – Roxanne Resmer- P
Sgt At Arms – Bob Heavin – P

Also present: Don Sinkler, Mike Hollis, Barney Regnier as Dist Commander, Jim McCloughan and guests Leo Flory, Co-Ordinator, Viet Nam Veterans Reunion and Ron Gafney as County Commander

July 18th Viet Nam Vet Reunion Update: Co-Ordinator Leo Flory, 101st Airborne (Airmobile), Viet Nam Veterans reunion will be here about 10AM Sat July 18th until 4:30PM, two buses, about 100 people. Presented Post with molded plastic military unit and POW plaques. Requests a couple of golf carts be available.

Legion Baseball Update: Tom McCloughan advised the new High School coach and Legion Baseball Coach did not complete paperwork to participate in tournaments and has advised the parents the season is over. Motion by Hogan to freeze our Legion Baseball Account and Tom be our Advisor to assist reinstating the program next year 2nd Regnier - motion approved

Reading of June 2009 minutes: Motion by Harsch to approve 2nd Sinkler - motion approved

Reading of June 2009 BOD minutes: Motion by Regnier to approve 2nd Harsch motion approved

Finance Officer Report & P&L Statement: Detailed reports presented by Barton (copy for Post files provided). Motion to accept reports by Harsch 2nd Sinkler Motion approved

Adjutant Report: Memb. Act. Balance $2,639.82, '09 renewal at 100%, 2010 cards now being processed, 6 new members for 2010. Motion to approve by Resmer 2nd Sinkler Motion approved

New Member Applications: Bruce Hummel of South Bend IN, Viet Nam Era Vet, William McMullan of South Haven, Korean War Era Vet, Paul Deniston of Westland MI, Grenada Era Vet., DD-214's support eligibility. Motion to approve by Resmer 2nd Regnier Motion to accept new members approved.

SAL Report: SAL member Mike Hollis advised SAL will be doing the cooking and policing the parking lot for the July 5th fireworks (Roxanne still needs volunteers to man the front door) b. **Legion Riders Report:** None

Old Business: 1) Fire Extinguisher has been installed for outside grill **2)** still need roof vent for outside grill **3)** POW table is now protected by velvet roped stanchions **4)** Vern Harsch updated members on status of neighbor Chris Mueller fence being on Post property, read rough draft of proposed agreement to settle issue. Motion by Heavin to have an attorney review proposal 2nd Resmer Motion approved **5)** Barton advised walkway to our memorial will be done by July 4th, flag pole has been primered and painted **6)** Summerfest '09 update by Hogan – Noise waiver forms from neighbors have been submitted to City Hall, Open Bar license is in.

New Business: 1) Motion by Harsch for Post to pay $600.00 lump sum payment to SAL Adjutant for FY 2009-10 duties and that Commander send SAL letter strongly recommend they pay their Adjutant $600.00 each year hereafter. 2nd by Heavin Motion passed.

Donations: None **For The Good Of The American Legion:** Regnier updated members on recent Legion convention and read 4 items off (see his copy for particulars) **Sick and Distress:** Jr. Vice and O.I.C. of Honor Guard Kevin Ferguson is recovering from hip surgery.

Chaplain prayer/uncover/salute flag of our country

Meeting Adjourned at 8:05PM

Respectfully Submitted

Paul Hogan, Adj.