IBEW 159 General meeting minutes

7-11-24

Called to order at 5:32

Officers present – Kevin Klepper, Greg Storkson, Tim Bates, Jim Binger, Cale Lewindowski, Dave Boetcher, Shaun Daniels

Swore in 5 new members. 5 Tape measure holders were given to the new members.

Nathan Tisdale from local 494 has asked to transfer his ticket into local 159 from local 494.MMSP to allow the transfer.

June 2024 minutes were posted in the back. MMSP to approve minutes

June Bills were posted in the back. MMSP to pay bills

Treasures report by Greg Storkson

Total income \$302,281.01

Expenses \$180.827.11

Net income \$121,453.90

Beginning cash \$4,541,972.12

Ending cash \$4,648,646.66

Total Assets \$7,900,318.94

Communications - SCFL sent a letter to ask for t-shirt pre orders for Labor Day.

Executive board report read by Kevin Klepper. MMSP to approve.

Business agent report by Dave Boetcher. Plenty of open calls from multiple contractors.

Organizers report by Pablo Baxter. Helped an organizing blitz in local 14 and 890. Had a lunch for Staff electric at UW hospital east. There have been many different organizations coming to visit the hall, mostly young people.

Business manager report by Mike Killian. There should be 2 large solar projects starting in 2025. Amazon project and Buc-ee projects are working through permit process. Kwik -Trip has started a large distribution center. 85 new apprentices already for 1st year apprentices. Mike gave a quick story of paying dues for the death benefit. Reminder to file the right paperwork for the

401k as of January 2025. Laborfest is looking for volunteers for Labor Day. Call the hall to help. There will be a labor celebration at the Brewers game on Sunday in remembrance of the crane accident during construction of Miller Park.

Pension reading for Jeff East. MMSP to approve.

Jeremy Gempler and Tom Reichman both passed.

Renew committee from ben Cassel. Highway cleanup on August 10. There will be a golf outing on September 14 at the Bridges golf course.

EWMC report by Shaun Daniels. June first was Take a kid fishing day. June 15 was Juneteenth with a record turnout. June 29 was a Brewers game. September 7 will be the cornhole tournament at the hall. Entry will be capped at 48 teams.

Shabe Gibson gave the legislative report. Volunteers needed for phone banking. August 13 is the primary, everyone should vote.

Tim Templeton is the new education coordinator. They are taking tours of different trades training centers, there are some very nice places in our area. They are always looking for more teachers, even if it is only partial schedule. They are trying to get the night school schedule done very soon.

Angie Trueliein gave women's committee. They are working their way to setting up.

Dave Boetcher gave the building committee report. They are looking at possible new uses for the hall, like family area, etc. Anyone is free to join.

Old business- none

New Business

MMSP to donate \$1000 to SCFL for Laborfest.

MMSP to allocate \$10,000 to buy 159 merchandise.

MMSP to buy a popcorn machine for a cost not to exceed \$2500.

Good of the Union. Mike gave a thanks for people who helped with the presidential motorcade, and a few of our members got to meet the president. There is a need for more teachers, please call education committee to help if you can. Make sure to tell financial planners, or family members some info about pension, death benefits, in case of horrible accidents.

Moments of silence for Tom Reichman and Jeremy Gempler.

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Josh Stern won the attendance raffle for \$100

Meeting adjourned at 6:58

Respectfully,

Kevin Klepper