



South Bend Elks Lodge #235 Meeting Minutes

Monday, September 21, 2026, 7pm

Roll Call:

X	Exalted Ruler: Jill VandeWalle	X Trustee: Darrell Frerichs
X	Leading Knight: Alex Vida	X Trustee: Kathy McDonald
X	Loyal Knight: Lance Gustin	X Trustee: Connie Hardy
X	Lecturing Knight: Shane Blackford	X Trustee: Stephen Riner
X	Secretary: Shawn Delahanty	Trustee:
A	Treasurer: Brett Berry	X Inn Grd: Karagh Brennan
X	Esquire: Jim VandeWalle	X Tiler: Marque Belke
X	Chaplain: Tony Hardy	X Organist: Casey Constant

Members in attendance:

Karen, Cindy, Shirley, Bob, Audrey, Sally, Brian, Rich, the Jackmans, Deb, Kirt, Randall

Sickness & Distress:

- Janet is doing well after her stroke - some memory and speech issues she is working through
- Kathy Pillar's cancer is back and very aggressive; meeting with doctor for final treatment planning.
- Mike Jansen was in the hospital with breathing problems, but home now

Reports of Committees:

- Tony - Vet's bingo was yesterday; 8 Elks were present and 3 were from SB; October 25th is the next event, rescheduled from August.
- Lance - Cancer benefit - sign up sheet in hallway for volunteers; also need donations of liquor and charcuterie items
 - ENF - Have been shopping and working on last few items for grant recipients Mishawaka Troop Town, Miller Vets, and Angels in the Attic
 - PER association has donated \$500 to cancer raffle

Propositions for Membership:

- Nathan Barber
- Lindsay Debroka
- Shelby Kruger
- Mark McClaran
- Shari Rettig

Balloting on Candidates:

- Nathan Barber
- Lindsay Debroka
- Shelby Kruger
- Mark McClaran
- Shari Rettig - all were elected to membership

Initiation

- Melissa McGann
- Nathan Barber
- Lindsay Debroka
- Mark McClaran

Communications:

- Mail from ER of Lodge #274 in Muskegon thanking Julie Schrader for her visit.

Unfinished Business:

- 5 Year Trustee nominations opened and Bob Severeid was nominated
 - Vote was held between nominees Bob Severeid and Karen Miller and Bob won the ballot

New Business:

- Kathy - Trustees would like to spend ~\$2500 for a new sign out front. Shane noted that all money was donated by anonymous member donors plus memorial contributions from Dave Darnell's sister and in memory of Pat Karpinski.

Good of the Order:

- Marque - Welcome to new members and DD would have loved the new sign.

Bills Against the Lodge:

- Operating, inc Payroll – \$31,303.91
- Gaming - \$15,408.43
- For a total of \$46,712.34

Receipts of the Session:

- Operating - \$32,022.97
- Gaming - \$29,275.80
- For a total of \$61,298.77

Treasurer's Report:

- 1st Source Bank
 - Operating - \$13,768.05
 - Gaming - \$33,303.58

- For a total of \$47,071.63
- Community Wide Credit Union
 - Checking - \$6,213.14
 - Savings - \$5.18
 - CD #1 - \$4,181.45
 - CD #2 - \$5,983.11
 - Elkhart - \$53,808.28
 - For a total of \$70,191.16

Meeting adjourned pm, Minutes respectfully submitted by:

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Shawn Delahanty". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style with a large initial 'S'.

Shawn Delahanty, Lodge secretary, South Bend Lodge #235