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American Legion Post 2007



23 May 2022 Minutes

Meeting was called to order at 2006 hrs. by the Commander.

Roll of Post officers was called with all officer's present except the excused absence of the Sr. Vice, Sgt at Arms Kenny Green and Executive members Les O'Neal.

No guests in attendance.

The April meeting minutes were read with motion to accept with one correction by Robert Thomas and seconded by Gary Sauerwein. Minutes approved by membership.

The Membership Report was given with Department and National showing us at 148 which is 91.36% of our goal. We need 14 members by June 17th to be at 100%. Two members that transferred from Post 58 are not showing up on the report.

The Finance Officer provided a breakdown of the post's accounts with \$6,743.99 in the General Fund with \$2,000 set aside for Insurance, \$35 for the Haven, \$66 for Gifts for the Yanks and \$495.50 for the Honor Guard with an additional \$3,253.98 in Savings. Steve Duff motioned to accept the finance report subject to audit. Seconded by Doug Reed. Membership approved. Steve Duff asked a question concerning the money donated to the Swansea Police and Fire Departments at the Recognition Dinner. The Commander explained the reason, which was accepted by membership.

Poppies – Poppy Day was 14 May at Lowes on Greenmount Commons. We raised \$755.15. The event was reduced time wise due to lack of afternoon support and high temperatures.

Veteran Affairs – The next meeting of the St. Clair VAC will be May 31st at 7 p.m.

Community Patriotic Observances – The Belleville Memorial Day Parade will be on 30 May ending at Walnut Hill Cemetery where the ceremony will be held. The parade will step off at 10 a.m. with the ceremony at the cemetery around 11 a.m. We are not marching in the parade but need to be in place at the cemetery by 10:30 a.m. Honor Guard need to wear their uniforms. We will be providing the sound system. We also need to have our trumpet there in case we need a backup for Belleville East.

Reports for all other areas were skipped due to time constraints.

Sick Call – Les O’Neal continues to struggle to get back to normal. We were thanked for the birthday cards and well wishes he received for his birthday. He had a reasonably good day for his birthday. His wife did report that she was a bit optimistic in her first email about Les. He is struggling with periods in which he responds appropriately to conversations and does well walking with the help of a person or walker. Other times he struggles to respond to conversations or directions. Rich Gaebel also spoke on Les’ condition after speaking with Alison at length.

Unfinished Business – Tabled until next meeting

A motion was made by Steve Duff to suspend the regular meeting for the purpose of nominations of Post Officers. This was seconded by Bob Burrack.

- Post Commander – Jim Page was nominated for another term. Jim accepted. Bob Burrack motioned to close nominations for Commander. Seconded by Rich Gaebel,
- Sr. Vice – Doug Jameson was nominated and he accepted. Steve Duff motioned to close nominations for Sr. Vice. Robin Latdrick seconded.
- Jr. Vice – Bill Martin was nominated and he accepted. Steve Duff motioned to close nominations for Jr. Vice. Robin Latdrick seconded.
- Executive Committee
 - One Year to be Andrew Dunham. Steve Duff motioned to close nominations for One Year. Robin Latdrick seconded.
 - Two Year to be Les O’Neal. Steve Duff motioned to close nominations for Two Year. Robin Latdrick seconded.
 - Three Year – Robert Thomas was nominated and he accepted. Steve Duff motioned to close nominations for Three Year. Robin Latdrick seconded.

Being only one person nominated for each position, the Adjutant cast one unanimous vote and asked for a unanimous consent for these offices. This was seconded by Steve Duff.

Resolutions – The Commander stated there were two resolutions we needed to vote on. The first resolution was to nominate Robert Thomas as the 22nd District Jr. Vice. Post membership voted unanimously for approval. The Commander then asked the Jr. Vice to read the second resolution. The Jr, Vice then nominated Jim Page as the 5th Division Jr. Vice Commander. Post membership unanimously approved.

Bob Burrack motioned to resume the regular meeting. Seconded by Steve Duff.

New Business – none

Memorial to Departed Members – no news of any members passing.

For the Good of the Legion – Steve Duff thanked the Commander for the privilege of presenting the student awards at Wolf Branch, representing Post 2007.

50/50 Results – Not Done

Next Meeting to be held on 27 June with Executive Meeting at 1830 hrs.

Meeting adjourned at 2047 hrs.