# The American Legion Post 164

# Minutes of Membership Meeting on Tuesday February 15, 2022

6:00 Social with food and drinks.

7:00 Post Training on: Post meeting Protocol and Head Cover details, by Commander McGuire.

7:30 Membership meeting called to order by Commander McGuire

## Order of Business

Officer Roll Call; Absent was our Public Relations Officer All Other Officers were Present

Review of minutes of previous Membership Meeting on January 18, 2022 were read. Review of minutes of Executive Committee Meeting on February 1, 2022 were read.

Introduction of guests; Butch Sparks, National Executive Committee Member, Ernie Cormier, Past Commander, and Harry Woodstrom Past Commander, and Currently Commander of District 22.

Introduction of Potential New Members; 3 Veterans were introduced and they spoke about their military background. Harry Woodstrom Motioned that we accept their application for membership, Butch Sparks 2<sup>nd</sup> the Motion, no discussion, Motion passed.

#### Awards:

A certificate was presented by Harry Woodstrom  $22^{nd}$  District Commander, to Ted Whiteman for his Escorting of candidates during Oratorical Contest.

### Reports:

Finance Officer; Our banking report shows an ending balance of \$6,394 dollars.

Sergeant at Arms; 38 members present, including 3 new members

Sick call, relief and unemployment; Wally Klekar recovering from eye surgery, Will Miller home under Doctors care, and the recent death of Ralph West.

Service Officer; 4 Veterans helped with obtaining Medical Records.

1st Vice Commander; We are currently at 82:61% of our Goal of 322 Members.

Membership; We still need to recruit new members for our Post.

2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Commander; Currently planning for a booth at Safety Fest and it looks like a big event.

Judge Advocate; No report

Boys State; Packets were sent out to local High Schools, and 5 Schools have responded.

Honor Guard; 10 Events for 156 service hours.

Board of Trustees; Not Here, but next meeting is on February 28th at 7:00pm

Public Relations; 4 Chaplains event was live streaming, attended Katy Chamber Mixer, with Commander McGuire and Ladies from Auxiliary.

Initiation of Candidates;

5 New Members were Initiated into Post 164

Unfinished Business; None at this time.

New Business, Correspondence, and Announcements

New Business; None at this time.

## Announcements;

Flag Collection is March 12<sup>th</sup> from 10:00am to about 2:00pm at 7 locations within Katy area.

Veterans Breakfast is on March 5th from 7 to 10am

Next Post Executive Committee Meeting is on March 1st at 7:30pm

Next Post Membership Meeting is on March15<sup>th</sup>

 $22^{nd}$  District Convention will be at Post 164 on March  $26^{th}$  at 9:00am The following Members have volunteered to attend as Delegates; Cary Snyder, James McGuire, Harry Woodstrom, Butch Sparks, Philip Malsbary, William Kennison, Roy Miller, Morrow Krum, Laura Gonzalez, Glenda Hoffman, Rory Hoffman. Harry Woodstrom made a Motion to accept these members as delegates, Motion was  $2^{nd}$  by Phil Malsbary, no discussion, Motion passed.

Bingo License for our Post was approved, waiting for Dan's Paradise Bingo hall to open, we hope soon. Department of Texas Oratorical Contest is February  $21^{\rm st}$  in San Antonio and our Post winner Daniel Rupewalla will be competing, we wish him good luck.

February 12th was Post 164 20th Year Anniversary

Post Officer elections are in May, see Commander McGuire to seek a position on ballot.

February 19th is Rodeo Parade, we will meet at VFW parking lot at 7:30am to get float ready.

February 24th is Pizza Night at Camp Hope.

Commander will need help to move a donated electric cooking stove to Post 164 from Pattison, TX  $2^{nd}$  Division Convention will be in Beaumont, TX on April  $30^{th}$  and May  $1^{st}$  The following members volunteered to attend as Delegates; Harry Woodstrom, James McGuire, Ernie Cormier, Cary Snyder, Butch Sparks. Harry Woodstrom made a Motion to accept these members as delegates and post 164 to pay registration costs, Motion was  $2^{nd}$  by Ernie Cormier, no discussion, Motion passed.

The Good of The American Legion;

Jim Scoggin reminded us of a bus trip on March 24<sup>th</sup> at a cost of \$5.00 for Veterans. Ernie Cormier needs volunteers to help him cleanout barrels before next Flag Retirement.

If no further business our Chaplain will offer a closing prayer.

Sergeant at Arms, recovers the POW/MIA Flag.

Post Commander, I now declare this meeting adjourned at 9:20pm

William Kennison Adjutant James McGuire Commander