

The American Legion Post 164

Minutes of Membership Meeting on Tuesday July 19, 2022

6:00 Social Hour with food and drinks.

7:00 Post Everlasting Ceremony for Billy Self

7:30 Opening Ceremony called to order by Commander Batura

Officer Roll Call;

Missing were Finance Officer and Sergeant-at-Arms

Introduction of guests; Butch Sparks, National Executive Committee Member, James McGuire, Past Commander, and Current Commander of District 22, and Mike Callahan, Adjutant for SAL

New Member Initiation; None at this time.

Awards and Recognition; 6 Boy's State graduates came to tell their story and experiences.

Minutes of Previous Meeting on June 21, 2022 were read.

Minutes of Executive Committee Meeting on July 5, 2022 were read.

Reports:

Finance Officer; Excused, went on vacation.

Membership; Our goal is 326 Members for the 2023 year. The new membership committee has been identified and will have a meeting soon. We will provide monthly results.

Events; Wally Klekar discussed fire works stand issues and Phil Malsbary discussed Safety Fest.

Service; Assisted 5 Veterans with obtaining and filling out forms for Medical Records.

Honor Guard; 5 Funerals, 3 Flag Ceremonies, for 262 Service Hours

Junior Shooting Sports Program; New Background Check program is working, we get direct results.

Board of Trustees; The elevator will be inspected soon, and a note was sent out asking for members who have extra tools that they can donate to the Post Tool Box to bring them to the post.

Riders; We now have 10 Members and are planning a Post Halloween Event.

Public Relations; Working on Press Release and video about our own Honor Guard and their History. Also finalizing the press story on 1SG Thelma Williams and her WW2 History.

Unfinished Business;

Commander Batura introduced the Budget for the upcoming year that was sent out in an e-mail to the Membership for comments. Butch Sparks Motioned to approve this Budget, Motion was 2nd by Cary Snyder, no discussion, Motion Passed.

New Business, Correspondence, and Announcements

New Business;

Butch Sparks spoke about our Membership Dues will be going up some time in the future.

Wally Klekar asked about a member information page that was on our web page.

Finance Committee needed 2 more Post members; Michael Roper and Michael Lutz were volunteers. Deborah Bortisser was selected to be the New Training Officer.

The Good of The American Legion;

22nd District Commander, James McGuire, spoke about his membership goals for the 22nd District and he will also be speaking at all of the other Posts within the 22nd District. A published document will be available soon.

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 9:05pm

William Kennison
Adjutant

Peter Batura
Commander