The American Legion Post 164

Minutes of Executive Committee Meeting on March 05, 2024

Executive Committee Meeting called to order by Commander Batura at 7:00pm Some members were on zoom, others were at Elks Lodge.

Invocation by Post Chaplain

Minutes of last Executive Committee meeting (2-06-2024) were posted on the post Website and Sandy Krum Motioned to accept these minutes. Motion was 2nd by Harry Woodstrom, no discussion, Motion passed.

- 4. Committee Reports (using new template) Limited to 2 minutes each.
- a. Board of Trustees; Movement of stairs at exit on 2^{nd} floor funding was approved by MUD Board at their meeting. They will get it contracted.
- b. Auxiliary; Gave out 1,500 flags at Rodeo Parade. Preparing Poppies to be distributed in May. Girls State interviews are completed, looks like 34 will be available. June 9th is Womens Veterans Day Open House at Post 164.
- c. Sons of American Legion; Officer Elections are complete and posted on our website.
- d. Legion Riders; Next event April 6th will meet at Buckees.
- e. First Vice Commander; We are at 102.42 Percent of our goal for 331 members.-
- f. Second Vice Commander; Getting location and program finalized for Birthday Dance.
- g. Judge Advocate; No report.
- h. Finance; We have \$22,115 Dollars in the bank. The financial report was read and is available for review after the meeting.
- i. Service Officer; No report.
- j. Chaplain; No report.
- k. Historian: Last historical binder is almost completed.
- l. Sergeant at Arms; Rifles and the safe have been secured. Building Key List updated.
- m. Communications; Vacant position
- n. JSSP; NRA Grant was received. Also grant for \$500.00 Dollars for new lighting.
- o. Oratorical Contest; Daniel Rupawalla was 2nd at State finals.
- p. Boys State; 7 High Schools have been completed, but we are not done yet.
- q. Flag Retirement; Will be scheduled for June.

- r. Honor Guard; For February 8 Honor Functions, 4 Flag Functions, 220 Service Hrs
- s. Graves; Grave Stone Fund is slowly filling as information is circulating.
- 5. Unfinished Business;
- a. Building Red Tag Status Commander Batura reported that, yes the WMMUD Board did approve funding for the stairway extension from the 2^{nd} floor exit to street level. We also need to follow up on all the repairs performed by Members to ensure these will be ready for a future re-inspection, soon we hope.
- b. Election/Nomination Committee; Most Officer positions have a candidate, still need a $1^{\rm st}$ Vice Commander and $2^{\rm nd}$ Trustee Position candidate. Forms are ready. A reminder that you must be Present to accept the results or have an acceptance letter on file with the Adjutant in your absence.
- c. Flag Retirement; Hold pending Fire Burning Barrels at Post 164 Parking Lot.
- 6. New Business
- a. Bingo; Harry Woodstrom gave details on Bingo Funds Distribution.
- b. FFA Support: A letter was sent by a student asking for a contribution, but it got here too late to act on. A Motion was made by Butch Sparks to create a line item in the Budget for FFA Donations. Motion was 2nd by Bruce Pettengill, no discussion, Motion passed.
- c. Fire Alarm System Status; Harry Woodstrom made a Motion to pay the FirePro invoice for a service call and to hold off on any repairs as quoted until after the building inspection. Motion 2nd by Sandy Krum, discussion was sensor was dry and in working order, no further discussion, Motion passed.
- d. New Fireworks contract with TNT; An orientation was scheduled with TNT to review their Contract. Commander Batura appointed Stephen Baranzyk to be Chairman of the Fireworks committee and attend this meeting with Harry Woodstrom.
- e. Events; Tickets are still available for the American Legion Birthday celebration.
- 7. Upcoming Events

Calendar review is on the front page of Post website. American Legion Birthday Celebration/Dance is on March 15^{th} Breakfast with a Veteran is on April 6^{th}

8. If no further business, Post Chaplain will offer a closing prayer.

Executive Committee adjourned at 9:24pm

William Kennison Adjutant Peter Batura Commander