

## The American Legion Post 164

### Minutes of Membership Meeting on Tuesday August 20, 2024

6:00 Doors Open / Social Time

6:30 Training; American Legion Preamble by Phil Malsbary

7:00 Meeting called to order by Commander Krum

1. Opening Ceremony

2. Invocation/ Prayer

3. Introduction of guests and Remarks; Butch Sparks, National Executive Committee Member and Past 2<sup>nd</sup> Division Vice Commander, Harry Woodstrom , Past Commander Post 164, and Past Commander District 22, James McGuire, Commander District 22, Past Commander Post 164, Ernie Cormier, Past Commander Post 164, and Gene Britton, Commander SAL Squadron 164,

4. Minutes of Last Executive Committee Meeting on August 06 , 2024 were read and posted on the Post web site. A Motion was made by Butch Sparks to approve these minutes. Motion was 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ernie Cormier, no discussion, Motion passed.

5. Minutes from last Membership Meeting on July 16, 2024 were posted on the Post web site and a Motion was made by Jim McGuire to approve these minutes. Motion was 2<sup>nd</sup> by Butch Sparks, no discussion, Motion passed.

6. Committee Reports;

a. Board of Trustees; We met on July 22 and have started pressure washing the parking lots on both sides of the building, Handicapped parking has already been repainted, the exhaust fans have been replaced, and some outside lighting has been replaced. There is a lot more to be done before the grand reopening so please come and help.

b. Auxiliary; No Report.

c. Sons; We are working to start a shredding drive, and putting together a budget committee, and revising our Constitution and By Laws.

d. First Vice Commander; Currently we have 60 PUFL Members, 97 Renewals, for a total of 157 and we have a Goal of 375 and are at 41.87% of that goal. We are working the renewal listing and the Post 345 Transfer lists.

- e. Second Vice Commander; Phil Malsbary was Appointed at the last meeting to proceed until the next Post Election. Currently we are working on the Post Grand Reopening event, and Safety Fest, and soon Rice Festival. More information at next Executive Meeting.
- f. Finance; We have \$22,670 dollars in the bank. These records are available to review after this meeting. Ernie Cormier Motioned to accept this report. Motion was 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jim McGuire, no discussion, Motion passed.
- g. Judge Advocate; Scam Emails are floating around. Please read who sent it before responding, make sure it is from someone who you recognize.
- h. Chaplain; Attended Veterans Funerals and currently getting ready for 4 Chaplains Event in February.
- i. Boys State; The Program was completed for this year and a joint Boys & Girls state Luncheon is being planned.
- j. Honor Guard; 4 Funerals and 1 Flag Ceremony for 100 service hours.
- k. Others, Riders; Another ride is planned for September and more information will be available soon or on Post Calendar.
- l. Commanders Report; We have a lot to do before Post Grand Reopening and several volunteers will be needed to get it all completed. See Commander to volunteer.

#### 7. Unfinished Business;

- a. Boys and Girls State Luncheon; Planned for September 21<sup>st</sup> at Elks Lodge. Several items of food have been donated by local restaurants and food stores. A gift card is planned for a raffle.
- b. Post Grand Reopening; Planned for September 14<sup>th</sup> This is requiring set up teams for displays in the main conference room and clean up teams to get everything back in place for our meetings.. Several items will need to be transported from Elks Lodge to our Post. See commander to volunteer your time.
- c. Katy Community Expo is August 24<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup> at Merrell Center; Our Post will have an information booth and will need volunteers to recruit new members.
- d. Anything Else;

#### 8. New Business

- a. Veterans Bingo is September 4<sup>th</sup> at 6pm at No Label Brewery and all Veterans are welcome to attend and enjoy the games. Bring membership applications.
- b. New Member Orientation is September 8<sup>th</sup> at 2pm Post 164 All new members are invited to attend and all members are welcome.

- c. Newsletter Deadline; This is one week prior to the next Membership meeting. All Executive Committee Members and Committee Chairmen should submit something to keep the Post Membership updated on events we provide within our community.
  - d. New Building Use Agreement; Harry Woodstrom Motioned that we approve this new agreement. Motion was 2<sup>nd</sup> by Butch Sparks, no discussion, Motion passed.
  - e. Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity Alumni building use. A Motion was made by Butch Sparks for them to use the building. Motion was 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jim McGuire, discussion was after the use agreement was signed, no further discussion, Motion passed.
  - f. All Activities at the Post must be posted on the calendar, even events away from the Post as well as the location need posting.
  - g. Anything Else; Bruce Pettengill Motioned for the Post to Form a Color Guard Drill Team. Motion was 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jim McGuire, discussion was to research what costs are for uniforms and other things, no further discussion, Motion passed
9. Correspondence and Awards; A Thank You card was read from the Lone Star Symphony Band for the Honor Guard presentation before the Band performance.
10. For The good of The American Legion;
11. Closing Prayer
12. Meeting Adjourned at 8:10pm

William Kennison  
Adjutant

Sandy Krum  
Commander