## The American Legion Post 164

## Minutes of Membership Meeting on Tuesday September 17, 2024

- 6:00 Doors Open / Social Time
- 6:30 Training; Katy VA Clinic, Suicide Prevention, Elizabeth Kleeman
- 7:00 Meeting called to order by Commander Krum
- 1. Opening Ceremony
- 2. Invocation/Prayer
- 3. Introduction of guests and Remarks; 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, Peter Batura Past Commander Post 164, and Gene Britton, Commander SAL Squadron 164,
- 4. Minutes of Last Executive Committee Meeting on September 03, 2024 were read and posted on the Post web site. A Motion was made by Harry Woodstrom to approve these minutes. Motion was  $2^{nd}$  by Robert Crutchfield, no discussion, Motion passed.
- 5. Minutes from last Membership Meeting on August 20, 2024 were posted on the Post web site and a Motion was made by Harry Woodstrom to approve these minutes. Motion was  $2^{nd}$  by Ernie Cormier, no discussion, Motion passed.
- 6. Committee Reports;
- A. Board of Trustees; We met on August 26th and are looking to purchase video cameras for entry doors into building, Need repairs on upstairs air conditioner as it seems to leak water onto ceiling, need to find a paint for coating over decals on bay area wall. Thanks to all who helped get the Post ready for grand reopening.
- B. Auxiliary; No Report.
- C. Sons; We thank the SAL Members who worked behind the scenes at Post Grand Reopening. We got a new Member there also. At last meeting Constitution and By Laws were updated, now they need to be sent for approval.
- D. First Vice Commander; Currently we have 9 New Members, 60 PUFL Members, 120 Renewals, and we have a Goal of 375 We are at 51.47% of that goal. We are working the renewal listing and the Post Buddy Calling lists.

- E. Second Vice Commander; Currently we are working on the Safety Fest, and Rice Harvest Festival parade and the festival event. More information at next Executive Meeting.
- F. Finance; We have \$20,280 dollars in the bank. These records are always available to review after this meeting.
- G. Judge Advocate; Not Here, Excused.
- H. Chaplain; We all are currently getting ready for 4 Chaplains Event in February.
- I. Service Officer; Assisted 14 Veterans this month with gathering documents for them to sign and helping them with VA telephone numbers.
- J. Boys State; This Saturday 9-21-2024 will be a Girls and Boys State luncheon from 11am to about 3pm to hear what they did while there. All Post members are welcome.
- K. Honor Guard; 6 Funerals and 3 Flag Ceremonies for 220 service hours.
- L. Riders; Another ride is planned for this Sunday, meet at Buckees at 7am
- M. Others; Webmaster; Our Post web-site is very popular as it is now well visited.
- N. Commanders Report; Our Post Grand Reopening was a wonderful event as evidenced by the many leading business and political leaders were in attendance. Thanks to every Member and Post Family members who made this possible.

## 7. Unfinished Business;

- A. Remember Boys and Girls State Luncheon is planned for September 21<sup>st</sup> at Elks Lodge. Several items of food have been donated by local restaurants and food stores.
- B. Department Executive Committee will meet in Austin on September 20 to 22<sup>nd</sup> and our own First Commander will attend and report back to us on what he observed.
- C. Anything Else; Harry Woodstrom Motioned to obtain 3 Quotes for Air Conditioner repairs upstairs. Motion was 2<sup>nd</sup> by Phil Malsbary, no discussion, Motion passed.

## 8. New Business

A Motion was made by Phil Malsbary to produce a certificate for Katy Mayor and Pro Tem Mayor and Mike Schofield for attending our Post Grand Reopening. Motion was  $2^{nd}$  by Ted Whiteman, no discussion, Motion passed.

- A. Honor Flight returns on September 21<sup>st</sup> and we need to caravan to hobby airport, meet at Post 164 by 5pm and we will be gone.
- B. Katy Safety Fest is on September 28<sup>th</sup> from 9am to about 3pm We will need volunteers to help with recruiting new members.

- C. Veterans Bingo is on October 2<sup>nd</sup> from 6 to 9pm at No Label Brewery...
- D. Breakfast with A Veteran is on October 5th from 6 to 10am
- E. Katy Rice Harvest Parade is October 5th Be at starting point by 7; 30am
- F. Katy Rice Harvest Festival is October 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> and a sign-up genius will be prepared for members who are volunteering to obtain their time slots.
- G. Service Officer Resignation; Was tabled for the Executive Committee Meeting.
- H. Funds for a Veteran; This is the Veteran discussed at our 9-03-2024 Executive Committee Meeting. A joining commitment with VFW Post and Katy Post. Harry Woodstrom Motioned to approve 700 dollars for this Veteran. Motion was 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ernie Cormier, no discussion, Motion passed.
- I. Review the Post 164 Calendar for upcoming events.
- a. Oratorical Competition at Post 164 on November 16th
- J. Anything Else; New Members Initiation Ceremony into Post 164
- 9. Correspondence and Awards; A Thank You Certificate was presented to Post Members by Commander Krum for their many hours of volunteering efforts to get the Post ready for the Grand Re Opening.
- 10. For The good of The American Legion;
- 11. Closing Prayer
- 12. Meeting Adjourned at 8:25pm

William Kennison Adjutant Sandy Krum Commander