

# American Legion Post 250 Membership Meeting

21 September 2023

## Attendance:

CMDR	XX	1 <sup>st</sup> Vice	XX	2 <sup>nd</sup> Vice	XX
Finance Off	Ex	Adj	XX	Hist	XX
Chaplin	XX	SVC Off	XX	SAA	XX
EB 1	XX	EB 2	Abst	ASSA	EX
JA	XX				

**Quorum:** Yes

**Call to order:** 1900

Chaplin Gave opening prayer

Reading of the minutes from the previous meeting: Donnie James made a motion to forgo the reading of the minutes as they were posted on the website. Motion was seconded by Jim Shields, Voted on and Passed. The Adjutant then read the minutes from the previous E Board meeting. Motion was made to accept the minutes as read by Gary Fleming and seconded by Dick Rowe, voted on and Passed.

**Introduction of Past Commanders:** Donnie James, John Ruark, Dick Rowe. Introduction of Guest: District Commander Mike Garcia

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Commander Garcia Spoke about A coming change to doing the Pledge at meetings. Change will be announced soon. The Commander will read the Pledge and the Sgt at Arms will salute the flag. We are doing well on membership. Remember to do Buddy Checks. Mike encouraged all the attend the fall conference. What makes the Legion different from other Veterans organizations is that we are chartered by Congress. Training for members that are thinking about running for Office at the post will be held at Post 137 on March 16<sup>th</sup>. The district needs a Historian. Anyone interested can contact him or our Commander or Adjutant and we will put you in touch with him.

Officer Reports:

**Finance Officer:** From E Board Minutes,

Beginning Balance \$76,469.00

Ending Balance \$78,598.00.

**1<sup>st</sup> Vice:** Membership is at 53%, Next goal 55% by Oct 12<sup>th</sup>. We need 30 more. She called the names of the new members: Robert Farwell, Lawrence Donnell, Terry Perry, David Atkins, Dedra Lasauce, Duncan Corey, James Mc Clintic and Deborah Raybon. None of them were present. Donnie James made a motion to accept the new members, Motion was seconded by Shannon Wofford, Voted on and passed.

**2<sup>nd</sup> Vice:** Combat Vets Rocket Man ride on the 30<sup>th</sup> of September, October 14<sup>th</sup> the Childrens and Families in need ride, The Adult Halloween Party is Oct 27<sup>th</sup>. Trunk or Treat will be held on Oct 28<sup>th</sup>. On Veterans Day a ceremony will be held at the wall and luncheon held afterwards.

**Chaplain:** 1 member went to Post Everlasting William Bays. Oct 4<sup>th</sup> the veterans meeting will be held at Post 250. Operation Lifeline is building a wheelchair ramp out at the house.

**Judge Advocate:** No Report

**Service Officer:** Hours accrued 24 Miles Accrued 295 Veterans Assisted 9. County Service Officer Phone number 904-529-4256 There is now 2 Service officers. Use VA.GOV Website to get access to info.

**Historian:** No Report

**SAL:** Membership is at 30% have already reached Oct Goal, Received a letter from National remind them to support the Four Pillars. Starting Oct 1<sup>st</sup>. they will be starting a 50/50 drawing online. Money will go to Childrens Miricle Network. A different charity will be chosen each month.

**Disaster prep:** Be prepared

**Baseball:** No Report

**Canteen:** No report

Commander announced that the Canteen would be opening early on Sat and Sun for football viewing.

**Old Business:** Last estimate for outside sign was \$2490.00. Waiting for more estimates.

**New Business:** Donnie James made a motion that the Post and the Canteen be audited. Motion was seconded by Gary Fleming. Motion was voted on and passed. Ken is going to look into someone to assist in that project.

Discussion was held Motion was voted on and passed.

A motion was made by John Rosenau for the Legion to buy ten 31 Gun tickets. Motion was seconded by Cindy Anderson. Discussion was held. The motion was voted on and passed with 2 no votes. A motion was made by John Rosena for the post to pay for rooms at the Fall conference for himself and for the post service officer.

Motion was discussed, voted on and passed.

A motion was made by Mike Del Pizzo for the Legion to donate \$250.00 towards the purchase of a golf cart for use by the Jacksonville Ladies to use at the Jacksonville Veterans Cemetery.

Motion was discussed, voted on and passed.

Chaplain Gave the closing prayer.

Meeting adjourned 2015 hrs.

Ken White  
Commander

Richard Rowe  
Adjutant