

American Legion Post 250 General Membership Meeting

Date: 19 October 2023

Meeting convened at 1900 hrs

Chaplin gave opening prayer

POW/MIA flag was recognized

Sgt at Arms led meeting in reciting the Pledge Of Allegiance

The Preamble to the Constitution was recited in unison.

Quorum: Yes xx No –

Call to Order: 1900 hrs

Roll call of Officers: Commander, Adjutant xx, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice xx, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice xx, Finance xx, Chaplain xx, Service Officer Excused, Judge Advocate Excused, Historian xx, E-board 1 Excused, E-Board 2 xx.

Guest: Leonita Bernheimer, Jeffery Lewis and Jeff Rogers.

Past Commanders: Donnie James, Dick Rowe and John Ruark

Motion was made by Donnie James, seconded by Doc Tarrant to skip the reading of the last E-Board and Membership Meeting minutes due to posting on our website. Motion was voted on and passed.

**Officer Reports:**

**Finance Officer:** Beginning Balance: \$78,598.00

Ending Balance: \$81721.00.

Detailed Report made be viewed on request. Motion was made by Doc Tarrant to accept the finance report subject to audit. Seconded by Lowell Bernheimer. Motion was voted on and passed.

**Chaplin:** Mama Chappy is still in rehab at Pruitt Rehab in Fleming Island, Rm 109 Ph 904-320-1277. Chappy could use some visitors also as he is home alone. The post has been providing transportation to the rehab center as his vision is giving him trouble. This Sunday we will be taking some groceries over to Chappy's house. Will be leaving the Post at 4PM. Joe Perkins and Art Martin are both in St Vincents Clay. Clay County Veteran Council new office will be open in January in Green Cove.

**First Vice:** We have made our last goal. We are at 57% on membership. Names of new members was announced: Lawrence Donnell, Robert Farewell, Pete Lewandowski, Warren Morris and Amanda Jennings. Donnie James made a motion to accept all new members. Motion was seconded by Shannon Wofford. Motion was voted on and passed. A date will be announced for the new Buddy Check. The commander explained what a Buddy Check was all about.

**Second Vice:** Sat 21 Oct, Post 202 is holding their K9line ride beginning and ending here at Post 250. Sunday 22 Oct there will be Legion training held at Post 250 in the meeting room. October 24<sup>th</sup> is bike night and the St Michels Soldiers will be passing out boxes to veterans containing different items. October 27<sup>th</sup> will be the adult Halloween Party. Passing dishes will be welcome. Trunk or Treat will be held on October 28<sup>th</sup> from noon to 4pm. In November we have Josh Henry on the 4<sup>th</sup>, Nov 11 is veterans Day and we will have a ceremony at the wall at 1pm followed by a luncheon. Thanksgiving Day we will be having a dinner with Turkey being provided by the post and potluck sides and desert are requested.

**Service Officer:** No Report.

**Judge Advocate:** No report

**Historian:** No report

**SAL:** Membership is at 40%. We met our Oct goal and are well on our way to Nov Goal. Nov 4<sup>th</sup> we will be doing a Blood Drive from 8am to 11am. We are continuing with our monthly online 50/50 drawing.

American Legion Riders: Reported 6500 miles and 562 volunteer hours.

**Committees:**

**School Medals:** We will be contacting 34 schools. All in Clay County. Doc explained what the school medal program is all about asked for volunteers to help out with passing them out and how rewarding it is to be a part of the program.

**Disaster Preparedness:** Hurricane season ends on Nov 30<sup>th</sup>. Stay prepared.

**Boy scouts:** The Scout going for Eagle Scout will be doing the brick laying project for the walkway out to the Wall on Monday February 20<sup>th</sup>

**Old Business:** Cost Estimate for signs for outside of building has gone up to \$2547.00. The Commander will be doing fund raiser for that project.

We will be doing a complete audit of the post (minus Aux) the committee consists of a retired CPA from Post 37 and from Post 250 is Donnie James, Jim Shields and Jeffrey Pickard.

**Correspondence:** The Adjutant read a thank you letter from the Jacksonville National Cemetery Support Committee thanking Post 250 for their donation for the purchase of the Golf cart for the use by the Jacksonville Ladies


**New Business:** None

**Good of the Order:**


Doc brought up a call that we got today from the Canterfield Retirement Home to ask if we could do a Flag Folding Ceremony for the on Veterans Day. He asked for Volunteers. John Rosenau brought that Clay Eye will be putting out boxes to collect food.

**Commander's report:** We have a couple of events coming up (Trunk or Treat, Christmas Party). Normally these are put on buy the Aux. but that does not mean that they don't need help. So feel free to jump in.

Meeting adjourned at 1934 hrs



Ken White  
Commander



Richard Rowe  
Adjutant