

American Legion Post 250 General Membership Meeting

Date: 18 July 2024

Meeting called to order 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.

Ken White made a motion to bypass the reading of the last e-board and general membership meeting as they are posted on the website. Motion was seconded by Mike Sidle. Motion was voted and passed.

Introduction of Guests: Sylvia Sheldon, Brad Roberson, Chris Butcher

The Commander recognized the Past Commanders in attendance: Ken White (1st Vice – District), and Dick Rowe

Finance Report:

- Beginning Balance (Legion Only) \$61,557.00.
- Ending Balance (Legion Only) \$47,069.00.
- Beginning Balance Combined (Legion, SAL, Riders) \$84,804.00.
- Ending Balance Combined (Legion, SAL, Riders) \$74,494.00

Motion was made to accept the finance report subject to audit by Ken White and seconded by Jim Sheilds. Motion was voted on and passed.

1st Vice: 24 memberships to process. 1 new member during the month of July (Paul Hangee).

2nd Vice: July 20th is Murder in Margaritaland. July 27th is Comedy Night. Julie Paget asked for help in the kitchen for the 2nd and 4th Thursdays and the 1st

Saturday of every month. The 4th Saturday of each month will be the Commanders Dinner where all birthdays for that month will be recognized.

Chaplin's Report: Chaplin asked for prayers for Jim Sheldon and his wife who lost their home in a fire. Jim is a Legionnaire and Rider. Prayers were received for John Ruark (Past Commander and Rich Vernon, who are both home recovering from surgery. Former SAL Commander Ken Hyatt went to Post Everlastings.

Service Officer: Discussed VA Benefits for a Surviving Spouse and what that definition is according to the VA.

Historian: Pete Lewandowski has been putting flyers up at local businesses with regards to Sunday Wings.

SAL: SAL reached 117.88% membership for the year, was also the only squadron to receive in District to receive the 4 Pillars Award. Jaguar Fundraisers will be split between the SAL and the Legion.

Riders: Donations for the month of June

- 10,500 Miles
- 746 Hours
- \$150

School Medals: No Report

Disaster Prep: Be Prepared. The National Weather Service will be sending out Hurricane Preparation Kits.

Baseball: Season ended. No report.

Law and Order: FHP sends out information packets every quarter. Linda Story has more information.

Scouting: Scouts are at Summer Camp and Cub Scouts are enjoying their summer program.

Open Chair Positions: Commander James announced he was still looking for chairs for the following positions: Shooting Sports, Employment, Youth Law Cadets.

New Business: Ken White made a motion to move funds from Thursday lunches to the District Youth Law Cadet Program. Motion 2nd by Linda Story. After discussion Ken White tabled the motion for further information.

Ken White made a motion to pay for homebound former member Paul Schneider. Motion 2nd by Leah Fogle. Vote held; motion passed.

Donnie James made recommendation to move all earmarked funds for building purposes to the “Building Fund”. Jeff Pickard made a motion to move all funds earmarked for building purposes to the Building fund, with the exception of money designated to the A/C repairs. Motion 2nd by Ken White. Vote held; motion passed.

Old business: none

Good of the order: Ken White announced Americanism Training will be held here at the post on November 2. He also made mention to the 50% membership goal by September 5th.

Chaplin gave closing prayer.

Meeting was adjourned at 1953hrs

Donnie James

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Commander

Leah Fogle

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Adjutant