



Middleburg American Legion Post 250 General Assembly Meeting Minutes October 16, 2025



Meeting was called to order at 1900

Roll Call:

Commander	XX	First Vice	XX	Second Vice	XX
Adjutant	XX	Finance Officer	XX	Historian	XX
Judge Advocate	XX	Sergeant-At-Arms	XX	Chaplain	XX
Asst SAA	XX	E-Brd 1	XX	E-Brd 2	XX
Service Officer	XX				

Quorum: Yes

Chaplain gave opening prayer

Introduction of Guests and Past Commanders:

- Brad Roberson (SAL); Greg Alexander (SAL) ; Glenn Edson (SAL); Nic Tosh (AD Navy); Brandy Joslin (AD Navy); Lani Whittaker (AD Navy); and Miguel Garcia (5th District Commander). Miguel spoke for a couple of minutes

Past Commanders:

- John Ruark & Ken White

Previous Meeting Minutes: Motion by Chuck Turner / 2nd by Bill Neimeic to dispense with reading and approve of the previous General Meeting and E-Board minutes as they are posted on the website. **DISCUSSION:** Adjutant pointed out the E-Board authorized spending \$150.00 towards obtaining a WWII Jeep for display at our Memorial Wall. **APPROVED.**

Correspondence:

- A concerned Member about the Florida Open Carry Law and how it will affect the Post. (Our Canteen and Premise Rules already state, “No weapons are allowed on the premises.”)
- NSSF and Be The One information on Veterans/Suicide/Gun Safety Awareness.

Officer/Chair Reports:

Finance (Sandy Greenway):

	With Riders & SAL
Starting Balance: \$121,603.00	\$142,609.00
Ending Balance: \$127,267.00	\$148,193.00

- Sunday Wings Profit: \$2107.56. While this continues to be a good revenue generator, we need people to step up and help.

- Anyone wanting a more detailed report, please see Finance Officer

Motion by Ken White / 2nd by Chuck Turner to accept subject to audit. **APPROVED.**

Chaplain (Kenny Greenway):

- Will be Chaplain for Orange Park Historical Society events in November and December

Prayer List:

- Ed Delaney is back in the VA Hospital in Gainesville
- Mickey Phillips is in assisted living facility



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- Family of Martha Ackley (passed 12 September)
- Jim McKlintock is in rehab facility
- Family of James Miller (passed 17 September)
- Will be conducting a 4 Chaplains Service in February.

1st Vice (Bill Niemiec):

- Currently at 57.90% making our way to next goal of 65% by November 5th (Department)/November 12th (National).
- Motion by Bill Niemiec / 2nd by Chuck Turner to accept new members: Thomas C Gary, III; Raul E Toro, III and Dale Cuningham, Jr. they have been vetted and do not subscribe to any organization seeking to overthrow our form of government. **APPROVED**

2nd Vice (John Rosenau):

- Gave a detailed report of the upcoming events
 - 1 Nov: Early Bird Dinner
 - 4-7 Dec: Department Commanders Visit
 - 7 Dec: Pearl Harbor Remembrance Ceremony (Magnolia Cemetery)
 - 8 Nov: VCCC 5K
 - 8 Nov: Rock the Brave Music Festival
 - 11 Nov: Multiple Veteran Day Events
 - 20-21 Dec: Wreaths Across America

Service Officer (Gary Fleming):

- Still helping Veterans and families with VA issues.
- Gave report on agencies using predatory tactics when assisting Veterans filing for VA Benefits

Historian (Chuck Turner): Working on History book. If you take pictures of an event, please forward them.

Executive Board (Julie Paget / Doreen Arndt): NTR

Judge Advocate (John Ruark): NTR

Veterans Council of Clay County:

- Attended a family day event at Camp Blanding on Wednesday
- Clay County Commissioners will read the Veterans day Proclamation on 28 October. Please be at the County Admin Building in the Commissioners Chamber (4th floor) by 3:45pm
- November 11 Orange Park Mall is hosting a Honor Our Heroes event
- Will have a table at the Horses and Heroes event at the Equestrian Center on Saturday 18 October
- FFSC NAS JAX will be hosting an EFMP Carnival
- Veterans Council of Clay County is hosting a Veterans Day 5k on 8 November at Oakleaf High School.



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House Committee (Kenny Greenway):

- Sink for the Canteen has been replaced.
- Urinal in the men's room is repaired
- Roof on Canteen side of building has been sealed (again). Still need to get to Chappy's Hall side.
- Our Memorial wall out front needs some repairs.
- The sink in the men's room handicap stall still needs to be replaced.

Veterans Employment (John Ruark): NTR

SAL (Bill Niemiec): Currently working on memberships. Currently at 32.33%

Riders (Dave Fogle):

- Miles: 18,422
- Hours: 963.5
- Donations: \$600.00

Upcoming Events:

- 18 Oct ALR 202 Larry Junstrom K9 Line Ride
- 25 Oct ALR 316 Zombie Ride
- 26 Oct ALR Dist 5 Unity Ride

School Medals (Danny Tarrant): NTR

Scouting (George Torrence):

- Cub Scouts have been doing their recruiting and have seen a 600% in Growth. Boy Scouts have seen about 20% growth this year.
- Boy Scouts are back to meeting in the house on Mondays

Oratorical (Leah Fogle):

- Currently we have 4 potential candidates. Will be setting up a Post Competition event in Mid-December. We will need 8 volunteers to run the competition.

Blood Donor Program (Don James):

- Next Blood Drive is 18 Oct 9am-2pm

Women Veterans (Donna Rosales):

- Our next Open house will be 27 Oct.

Canteen Manager:

- Please come out and support Rock the Brave event on 8 November

Commander's Report:

- Our Boys State/JROTC Chair had to step down due to health reasons. If anyone is interested, please see the Commander.



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Old Business: NTR

New Business:

- Motion by Ken White / 2nd by Bill Niemiec to spend \$500 to obtain wreaths from Wreaths Across America for the outlying cemeteries in Middleburg area. **APPROVED**
- Motion by Ken White / 2nd by Bill Niemiec to spend up to \$600 for new computers in the Legion Office. **DISCUSSION:** Canteen can use a new computer as well. They will buy same type, but finance through Canteen. **APPROVED.**
- Motion by Bill Niemiec / 2nd by _____ to change our CBLs to have the Officer positions elected to two-year terms. This will have to be done through a Constitution and By-Laws Committee recommendation. The JA will form a committee and get started on the process. **WITHDRAWN**

Good of the Order:

- Sandy Greenway: We are still looking for ways to help get volunteers to help with Sunday Wings. Doreen only needs two to four people to help her each Sunday.
- Ken White talked about the National Contest for two free tickets to the Army/Navy football game in Baltimore.
- Commander James talked about the issue of firearms in the Post and referred to our Canteen and Premises Rules #8.
- Commander James presented an American Legion Basic training completion certificate to Gordon Brewer, Jr.
- 5th District Commander, Miguel Garcia, thanked Post 250 for the hospitality and mentioned 3 District Chairs and one District Officer are from our Post and he is thankful for that. He is very excited about the Oratorical Contest this year as we had no candidates last year and this year we have 8! He also talked about the upcoming Department Commander visit in December (4-7) and that he is very grateful we will be able to offer the Commander a Pearl Harbor recognition ceremony.

Chaplain gave closing prayer.

Meeting adjourned at 2005

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Don James
Commander

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Ken White
Adjutant