

AMERICAN LEGION POST 233
GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES
May 4TH, 2021

- I. Meeting Called to Order at 8:00 by Commander Thomas Williams:
 - A. Posted Colors.
 - B. Pledge of Allegiance after posting colors.
 - C. Prayer by Stan Mauldin.
 - D. Recited the Preamble.

- II. Meeting convened -
 - A. Commander Opened the Meeting welcoming those watching on livestream.
 - B. Quorum present
 - C. Reading of minutes - Adjutant distributed minutes: minutes approved as published

- III. Post Commander's Report -
 - A. Recognized past commanders who were present - Bill Dolan and Stan Mauldin
 - B. Distinguished visitors - None
 - C. New members, visitors, or Space Force Veterans - Visitors: Richard Rice and Stan Edwards.
 - D. Recognitions - Auxiliary for all the help they provide.
 - E. General Post Updates -
 1. New HVAC unit has been installed and all other HVAC issues addressed.
 - 2.. Those we are helping:
 - a. Provided temporary housing to a 76 year old Army vet as he transitioned to assisted care facility.
 - b. Provided a bus ticket to a 71 year old Army vet from Atlanta VA to Savannah home.
 - c. Provided temporary housing to a 30 year old AF vet working through the HUDVash program.
 - d. Provided temporary housing to a 38 year old Army vet while waiting to start a new job.
 - e. Through our HELP program provided a walker with a seat to a member and a transport chair to assist in the care of his wife.
 - f. Bring in health care equipment if you have anything available.
 3. Richard Rice will be teaching some handgun and home defense classes at the Post.
 4. Stan Edwards reported on the importance of the Post Amatuer Radio group
 5. Department and District updates:
 - a. District meeting here on May 15th at 10:30 a.m. Registration begins at 10 a.m.
 - b. Department Convention at Sonesta in Duluth June 24th-27th. If attending please register.
 7. Legion National:
 - a. Training Tuesday is the last Tuesday of each month. Training is for Commanders and Adjutants, but is open to all.
 - b. National convention in Phoenix Aug. 26th-Sept. 2nd. Thom Williams may attend.

- IV. Finance Officer's Report - Fritz Siler
 - A. Fritz Siler gave the financial report - copy attached
 - B. Motion made to approve report, seconded, and passed pending audit.

- V. Committee Reports:
- A. Post Operations and Membership- Adjutant reported 516 members have renewed for 2021.
 - 1. Membership renewal for 2022 begins July 1st.
 - B. Legion Rider- Ordia Brown- 54 members. Americanism, 5 riders completed 870 miles. Continuing Americanism Ride and planning Ride for America. Patriots Tour June 21st.
 - C. Public Information and Website - No report.
 - D. Oratorical - Thom Williams - Over for the year.
 - E. Sons of the American Legion - Looking for new leadership.
 - F. Blood Drive - Jerry Mahaffey - Next drive is on May 27th..
 - G. Maintenance, Buildings, and Grounds - Mike Burwell
 - 1. HVAC unit and signs for scouts installed.
 - H. Baseball - Jeff DeVries- Sponsored team is performing well.
 - I. Special Events - Volunteers are needed for Ride For America on Memorial Day.
 - J. Service Officer - Brian Blair/Mike Madsen-
 - 1. Brian Blair is moving to Alabama. Recruiting Service Officers.
 - 2. 6 contacts in April.
 - K. Children, Youth, Schools & Champs - Paul Williams - On hold.
 - L. 40/8 - Paul Williams - Promenade will be held next week.
 - M. Boys State - Bill Dolan - 2 candidates so far.
 - N. Cub Scouts and Boy Scouts - Matthew Clifton -
 - 1. Completed trip to Okefenokee Swamp.
 - O. ROTC - Bobby McDonald - No Report.
 - P. Sea Cadets - Lt Carol Smith or Sgt Kelly Mason - Report Attached.
 - Q. Civil Air Patrol - Capt. Jason Stribling-
 - 1. 2 cadets earned rank as Airman and 1 cadet Sr. Airman.
 - R. Legislative - Jeff Monk - No report.
 - S. VAVS - John Spudich - Va is not accepting books or magazines.
 - T. Historian - Steve Linngren -No Report.
 - U. Color Guard - Jerry Mahaffey
 - 1. In Monroe on Memorial Day.
 - 2. Color Guard desperately needs more members.
 - V. VECTOR (Veterans Connection Outreach)- Susie Fitzmaurice- Started in April.
 - W. Nomination Committee- Bill Dolan-
 - 1. Commander- Thom Williams
 - 2. Sr. Vice- Mike Burwell
 - 3. Jr. Vice- Patricia Jones and Susie Fitzmaurice.
 - 4. Executive Committee- Roy Acord, Jeff DeVries, Patricia Jones, and Susie Fitzmaurice.
- VI. Old Business:
- 1. Class A license obtained.
 - 2. Diamond Amusements to install pooltable and jukebox in the Patriot's Grill.
- VII. New Business: James Walters reported on Services at Canton the Saturday, May 29th.
- VIII. Good of the Order: Walk of Heroes Friday, June 11th at 1 p.m. Commander has information.
- IX. Adjournment:
- A. Next meeting scheduled for Tuesday, June 1st at 8 p.m. Potluck Meal at 7:00 p.m.

- B. Motion made and approved to adjourn meeting.
- C. Colors remained in place.
- D. Stan Mauldin gave closing prayer.
- E. Commander adjourned meeting.

Roy Acord, Adjutant

Thomas R. Williams Jr., Post Commander