

American Legion Post 164

Minutes of Membership Meeting on January 23, 2019

6:30 Social & Pot Luck Gathering

7:15 Post Everlasting Ceremony for Bill Seaton & Doug Baker

7:30 Training Session by Forrest Croom on Military Pay & Other Information

Membership Meeting called to order by Commander Woodstrom at 7:40pm

Officer Roll Call; All present, Service Officer Excused

Review of minutes of November 28, 2018 membership meeting, motion by Jim McGuire to suspend reading as they are now posted on our post website, 2nd by Forrest Croom, motion passed.

Reading of Executive Committee Meeting minutes from January 9th were read.

Introduction of guests and prospective new members, 2 were present.

Awards for Post 164 were read by Commander Woodstrom.

Reports:

Finance Officer; A balance of \$6,138.54 on hand.

Sergeant-at Arms; 25 Members signed in before meeting start time.

Sick Call; 1 Member recuperating from time in hospital. (Jose Rodriguez)

Service Officer; Excused, but sent a report.

Vice Commander; Great comments on event at cemetery on Wreaths Across America.

Membership; Vice Commander spoke on meeting our current goal, but more current members need to pay their 2019 Dues.

Judge Advocate; Our post needs to be Incorporated, there are 2 types. Motion by Jim McGuire and 2nd by Tony Hart for Judge Advocate to get more information so this can be brought before the membership meeting soon. Motion passed.

Boys State; New literature on the program was sent to all local school administrators and counselors. A visiting schedule was completed for our committee members to visit the schools.

Honor Guard; Performed at 7 Military Funerals, Public service hours were 94 for January.

Public Relations; Our Oratorical winner for Post 164 went on to win at 22nd District and his information was in the local papers. Flag Retirement Ceremony was well attended and photos appeared in our local papers.

4 New Members were initiated into our Post.

Unfinished Business:

Wreaths Across America; 411 Wreaths were placed at the Veterans Headstone or Marker at Magnolia Cemetery.

New Business:

American Legion 100th Birthday; A motion was made by Ernie Cormier and 2nd by Phil Malsbury that we have a Military style Ball or dance. The motion passed and appointed Ernie Cormier as Ball Chairman. More information to be developed.

Post 164 Incorporation; Our Judge Advocate will get better details and bring them before the Membership.

JROTC Scholarship: This was discussed in May and is being revisited again, the scholarship is for 2 people the amount is for \$250.00 each person. A motion was made by Jim McGuire and 2nd by Ernie Cormier to accept this amount for these scholarships. Motion passed.

Nomination Committee will have a preliminary proposal at March meeting for next year's Post Officers.

Legion Riders; Reviewing the By Laws getting them ready for signatures.

Shooting Program; In progress of putting together an outline of how this program will function, then will formalize it for the membership.

Mid-Winter Conference January 26 & 27, see Commander for more information on events and how to attend.

TEAM Send Off; Sunday January 27 at Second Baptist Church, Ernie Cormier will be Coin Presenter.

Veterans Breakfast; Saturday February 2nd, Always has a great attendance.

District Executive Committee Meeting Sunday February 10th at 2:00pm Post 654

Post 164 Executive Committee Meeting Wednesday February 13th at 7:00pm

Katy Rodeo Parade Saturday February 16th meet at VFW between 8:00 & 8:30

Next Membership Meeting will be on Wednesday February 27th

The good of The American Legion; Post Patches are in and cost \$10.00 each.

Chaplain will offer prayer.

Sergeant at Arms; recover POW/MIA Flag

Post Commander, I now declare this meeting Adjourned at 8:55pm

William Kennison
Adjutant

Harry Woodstrom
Commander