

American Legion Post 164

Minutes of Membership Meeting on January 22, 2020

6:30 Social with light food items

7:00 Post Everlasting for Russell Long Sr

7:20 Post Membership Training on 4 Pillars by Harry Woodstrom

Membership meeting called to order by Commander McGuire at 7:30pm

Order of Business

Officer Roll Call;

All Present, Historian and Public Relations are vacant

Review of minutes of previous meeting on Nov. 27, 2019 were read. Harry Woodstrom motioned to accept these minutes as read, 2nd by Jim Foland, no discussion, motion passed.

Review of minutes of Executive Committee Meeting on Jan. 07, 2020 were read. Harry Woodstrom motioned to accept these minutes as read, 2nd by Jim Foland, no discussion, motion passed.

Introduction of guests; Oratorical certificates were given to Post 164 winner, Rehan from Tompkins High School and runner up Sophia from Cinco Ranch High School. Also certificates were given to Teacher/Counselor Mary Saver and several other students from Cinco Ranch High School for their participation in the Oratorical Program.

8 Prospective new members were introduced and they spoke about their background.

Reports:

Finance Officer; Our report shows an ending balance of \$4,695.00

Sergeant at Arms; 35 members present.

Sick call, relief and unemployment; Several members are under Doctors care for medical conditions or at home recovering, 1 member has become unemployed.

Service Officer; 12 Veterans helped with locating Military Records and Forms.

Vice Commander; We are 2nd by percentage of goal in 22nd District.

Membership; Our Post renewals are still being called, Post 345 transfers will be called soon to advise them of their new renewal cost is \$50.00

Judge Advocate; No report, our Constitution and By Laws already updated.

Boys State; Packet is printed, needs to be assembled and delivered to schools counselors.

Honor Guard; Very busy, 11 Funerals, 1 Flag Ceremony, 196 Service Hours.

Public Relations; Vacant

Initiation of Candidates

3 New members were initiated into Post 164

Unfinished Business

Mid Winter Conference, Harry Woodstrom motioned that a nomination committee be formed to select delegates to this conference, 2nd by Ron DeFoor, motion passed. Harry Woodstrom motioned that Post 164 pay the registration fee for selected delegates, 2nd by Ron DeFoor, motion passed.

New Business

Mid Winter Conference Program. A motion was made for our Post to include a Half Page add in this program at a cost of \$40.00 by Harry Woodstrom, 2nd by Phil Malsbary, discussion was this is a great time and place to tell what Post 164 is doing in and around the Katy community, no more discussion, motion passed.

Correspondence and Announcements

Veterans Breakfast February 1st at Elks Lodge 7 to 10am

Post 164 Executive Committee Meeting February 12th

2nd Division Oratorical Contest January 25th Post 521 12pm Lunch

Junior Shooting next meeting February 20th also a request from District 22 for funds to purchase equipment so all Posts in District 22 can borrow as needed was introduced. They will purchase from Texas Parks and Wildlife. A motion was made by Harry Woodstrom for Post 164 to contribute \$1000.00 toward this purchase, 2nd by Phil Malsbary, during discussion Jim Scoggin was asking what the total cost would be for our Post to purchase this equipment, motion was tabled for more information on cost of equipment.

District 22 DEC is February 9th at Post 654

Next Post Membership Meeting February 26th

Katy Rodeo Parade February 15th

Flag Collection February 15th at Ace Hardware Mason Rd & Lows Hardware Hy 10

Family Freedom Festival March 28th at VFW Post 9182 need bottled water and table set-up.

Post 164 Election of Officers April 2020

The Good of The American Legion

A discussion on a future home of our own, more details at next meeting

A great time at First Responder Banquet was enjoyed by all who attended to show Post 164 support.

Another great event was the Wreaths Across America tribute to fallen Service Members, this got a lot of film making and newspaper reviews of what our Post 164 does in the community.

If no further business our Chaplain will offer a closing prayer.

Sergeant at Arms, recover the POW/MIA Flag.

Post Commander, I now declare this meeting adjourned at 9:00pm

William Kennison
Adjutant

James McGuire
Commander