

American Legion Post 164

Minutes of Membership Meeting on June 24, 2020

6:30 Social with light food items and bottle water.

7:00 Post Everlasting Ceremony for Gerald Waxman

7:25 Post Membership Training on "The Importance of Ceremony" by Tony Hart

Membership meeting called to order by Commander McGuire at 7:40pm

Order of Business

Officer Roll Call;

All Officers are Present

Review of minutes of previous Membership Meeting on May 27, 2020 were read.

Review of minutes of Executive Committee Meeting on June 10, 2020 were read.

Introduction of guests; Harry Woodstrom Past Commander, and Butch Sparks National Executive Committee Member are present. Paul Middlehof Topeka, Kansas and Pat McCarthy Rosenberg, Tx were visiting here in Katy and they are both American Legion Members.

2 Prospective new members were introduced and they spoke about their background. Harry Woodstrom motioned that we accept their applications, 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion by Phil Malsbary, no discussion, motion passed.

Awards – Citations were presented to Phil Malsbary, William Kennison, Jody Castro, Roy Miller, and Jim Foland for a job well done during 2020 membership year.

Butch Sparks installed Despina Scott as Historian for 2020 – 2021 membership year.

Reports:

Finance Officer; Our report shows an ending balance of \$8,031.93

Sergeant at Arms; 27 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. Complete record is on file.

Service Officer; 2 Veterans helped with filing for Military Records.

1<sup>st</sup> Vice Commander; We have met and exceeded our goal for membership year 2020.

2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Commander; December 12, 2020 is the date for First Responder Dinner. Will need help to raise funds and administer the program.

Membership; New 2021 Membership Goal is 307

Judge Advocate; Working on a new and improved Constitution and By Laws to be revealed soon.

Boys State; 30 Boys completed the "Virtual Program" and they will send a written response.

Honor Guard; 7 Funerals, 8 Flag Ceremonies, 136 Service Hours.

Public Relations; Working on a sponsorship program, suggested raffle gifts, producing 30 second commercials to promote our post, and video of flag Burning Ceremony.

#### Initiation of Candidates

4 New members were initiated into Post 164

Unfinished Business; None at this time

#### Correspondence;

A letter from Ethan Boyd, Boys State finalist was read to the membership.

#### Announcements;

Veterans Breakfast July 4th at Elks Lodge 7 to 10am

Post 164 Executive Committee Meeting is July 8th

District 22 DEC meeting is July 12th at Post 521

Next Post Membership Meeting is July 22<sup>nd</sup> location TBA

#### New Business;

Selection of Board of Trustees for New Post Home.

The following members have stepped forward to form the Board of trustees;

They are Richard Zerweck, Roy Miller, Tony Hart, Forrest Croom, and Monte Ikner.

Butch Sparks motioned to accept these members for this start-up committee, motion 2<sup>nd</sup> by Phil Malsbary, no discussion, motion passed.

The Post 164 Adjutant shall have a sign out roster for control of who has a key to the door of new home. Lease was signed by Post 164 now we need to pay for that lease, Butch Sparks made a motion to pay the lease, motion was 2<sup>nd</sup> by Alex Roesse, no discussion, motion passed. Roy Miller stepped forward and offered to pay for the balance of the first year lease of \$1,050.00. Thank you for this gift.

Projector and Screen Purchase; 2 Overhead Viewsonic Projectors and Pull Down Screens are available for a total purchase of \$400.00. Monte Ikner motioned to purchase these items for our Post, motion was 2<sup>nd</sup> by Fred Kana, no discussion, motion passed.

Refrigerator and 3 pot coffee maker purchase; These items were available for \$300.00 and Phil Malsbary motioned to purchase them for our Post, motion was 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ted Whiteman, no discussion, motion passed.

#### The Good of The American Legion

Jim Scoggin Motioned to purchase a Coast Guard Flag to be presented to Bass Pro Shop to complete their Military Display, Motion was 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ron Defoor, no discussion, Motion passed.

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 9:08pm

William Kennison  
Adjutant

James McGuire  
Commander