

The American Legion Post 164

Minutes of Membership Meeting on Tuesday October 18, 2022

6:00 Social Time – Pot Luck

6:30 Training -

7:00 Opening Ceremony called to order by Commander Batura

Officer Roll Call;

Missing was Chaplain and Service Officer

Introduction of guests and prospective new members; Butch Sparks, National Executive Committee Member, James McGuire, Past Commander Post 164, and Current Commander of District 22, and Harry Woodstrom, Past Commander Post 164, and Past Commander District 22 and Ernie Cormier, Past Commander Post 164, and Will Miller, Past Commander Post 164.

A guest and prospective new member is Jacey Jetton, State Rep for District 26

Awards and Recognition; None at this time.

Minutes of Previous Meeting on September 20, 2022 were read.

Minutes of Executive Committee Meeting on October 04, 2022 were read.

Committee Reporting Highlights;

Finance Officer; We currently have \$8,678 dollars in the bank

Membership; We are at 63% of our goal, welcome to all new members.

Events: Rice Festival is over, 140 volunteer hours for both days, First Responders dinner is December 10th at ELKS Lodge, Wreaths across America is at Magnolia Cemetery on December 17th

Service; Not Here.

Honor Guard; 11 Funerals, 6 Flag Ceremonies, for 304 Service Hours.

Junior Shooting Sports Program; Our program in the 3rd week with 3 students.

Board of Trustees; The new Post flags have been ordered.

Building; Fire inspection delay because we are waiting for parts.

Riders; Not here

Public Relations; No Report

Unfinished Business

Dues Increase

A Motion was made by Butch Sparks to increase our yearly Dues to \$45.00 dollars. Motion was 2nd by Morrow Kurm, discussion was this will become effective when our Adjutant sends forward the Annual Post Data Report, this will show the new dues increase for membership 2024, no further discussion, Motion passed.

New Business;

Constitution and By – Laws

Need to be changed to include Commander authorization of emergency expenses of up to \$400.00 dollars and with Executive Committee approval emergency expenses of up to \$1000.00 dollars. Harry Woodstrom Motioned to adopt these changes, Motion 2nd by Phil Malsbary, no discussion, Motion passed. Butch Sparks Motioned to make these adopted changes for emergency expenses effective immediately, Motion 2nd by Stephen Brady, no discussion, Motion passed. These changes will be included in upcoming Constitution and By – Laws.

A Resolution of Endorsement was read for C.W. “Butch” Sparks to be nominated for Vice Commander, 2nd Division, Department of Texas 2023 – 2024. Harry Woodstrom Motioned to adopt this resolution, Motion was 2nd by Phil Malsbary, no discussion, Motion passed.

Correspondence and Announcements

Trunk or Treat – 10/29

Breakfast with a Veteran – 11/05

Flag Retirement – 11/12

Turkey Tailgate – 11/23

Wreaths across America – 12/17

The Good of The American Legion;

Members need to make plans to attend the First Responder/American Legion Dinner
Morrow “Sandy” Krum volunteers to become Flag Collection Chairman.

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

Post Commander, I now declare this meeting adjourned at 8:45pm

William Kennison
Adjutant

Peter Batura
Commander