

The American Legion Post 164

Minutes of Membership Meeting on Tuesday April 18, 2023

7:00 Opening Ceremony called to order by Commander Batura

Officer Roll Call;

Missing was Historian, Chaplain, Service Officer, and Public Relations

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

Minutes of Previous Membership Meeting on March 21, 2023 a Motion was made to suspend the reading as they are posted on the Post web-site by Harry Woodstrom, Motion was 2nd by Butch Sparks, no discussion, Motion passed.

Minutes of Previous Executive Committee Meeting on April 4, 2023 were read. a Motion was made by Butch Sparks to accept these Minutes, Motion was 2nd by Phil Malsbary, no discussion, Motion passed.

5. Committee Reporting Highlights;

a. Membership; We are at 98.16% of our goal, will continue with buddy checks.

c. Honor Guard; 6 Funerals, 3 Flag Ceremonies, for 168 Service Hours.

d. Finance; We have \$13,648 dollars in the bank. Harry Woodstrom Motioned that we accept the finance report, Motion was 2nd by Wally Klekar, no discussion, Motion passed. Boys State; 44 boys have been identified to attend.

e. Board of Trustees, 2 new large exhaust fans have arrived, Honor Flight returns to Hobby Airport on April 29th and we will meet at Post 164 by 4:30pm and car pool to Airport.

Graves Registration; Nothing new to report.

h. Newsletter; Send articles and photos to Phill Yates for consideration to be published.

i. Junior Shooting Sports Program; We have 3 people who are currently in the program.

J. Events; Went to City Hall to promote the coming of Wreath across America mobile exhibit, also discussed Rice Harvest Festival and Safety Fest.

k. Flag Retirement; Currently scheduled for June 17th and Boy Scout troop will be folding more flags to be boxed and ready for the retirement ceremony. Also a member of the Boy Scout troop, for his Eagle Scout Badge, he will be making Flag Collection boxes to be placed around the Katy community.

m. Legion Riders; They are still looking for more Members to become part of their rides, currently have 10 Members.

p. Sons of The American Legion; Currently meeting at Post 164 on 1st Thursday of each month.

6. Unfinished Business

Post Officer Elections are scheduled for May Membership Meeting.

7. New Business;

a. Member Survey; This survey will be sent to the membership to ask for information on what they think the post can provide to make the meetings more informative. Stephan Brady will create the survey.

A person who was selected to attend Boys State has asked for a Post 164 Scholarship. Harry Woodstrom Motioned that the Post approve this request, Motion was 2nd by Phil Malsbary, no discussion, Motion passed.

8. Announcements;

April 22nd Grant Writing Training, Galveston, TX

April 29th Honor Flight returns at Hobby Airport

April 30th Katy Community Micro Chip

May 4th Wreaths Across America Mobile Education Exhibit at Post 164 9:00am to 6:00pm

May 16th Membership Meeting Post 164

May 27th Soldiers Rest Memorial Service

May 29th Memorial Day Observance

June 17th Flag Retirement Ceremony

The Good of The American Legion;

PTSD Group meets on the 1st and 3rd Monday of each month

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

Post Commander, I now declare this meeting adjourned at 8:48pm

William Kennison
Adjutant

Peter Batura
Commander