

## The American Legion Post 164

### Minutes of Membership Meeting on Tuesday May 20, 2025

6:00 Doors Open / Social Time

6:30 Training; Wartime Hero's by Mike Martin

7:00 Meeting called to order by 1<sup>st</sup> Vice Commander Dennis Wells

2. Invocation/ Prayer

3. Roll Call; Absent was Historian

4 Introduction of Dignitaries/Guests and Remarks; Butch Sparks, Past National Executive Committee Member and Past 2<sup>nd</sup> Division Vice Commander, Jim McGuire Past Commander District 22 and Past Commander Post 164, Harry Woodstrom, Past Commander District 22, and Past Commander Post 164, Ernie Cormier, Past Commander Post 164, Gene Britton, Commander SAL Squadron 164, Gillian Woodstrom Unit 164, and Rory Hoffman, Director ALR Post 164

5. Minutes from last Membership Meeting on April 15, 2025 were read and a Motion was made by Ernie Cormier to accept these Minutes. Motion was 2<sup>nd</sup> by Phil Malsbary, no discussion, Motion passed.

6. Minutes of last Executive Committee Meeting on May 06, 2025 were read and A Motion was made by Butch Sparks to approve these minutes. Motion was 2<sup>nd</sup> by Harry Woodstrom, no discussion, Motion passed.

7. Committee Reports;

a. Auxiliary; We met our goal for making 2500 Poppies for Memorial Day distribution at our 4 locations in Katy Community. Soldiers Rest Ceremony is on May 24<sup>th</sup> at Forest Park Lawndale Cemetery and all are welcome. We are at 101.08% of our Membership Goal

b. Sons; Election of Squadron Officers was on May 1<sup>st</sup> and they will be installed at June 17<sup>th</sup> Post 164 Meeting. Next monthly dinner is on Friday May 30<sup>th</sup> at 6:00pm, Commander and Adjutant went to 2<sup>nd</sup> Division Convention. We are at 124% of our Membership goal.

c. Board of Trustees; Our meeting was on April 28, 2025 The Fire Inspection was completed and passed. The elevator was inspected and it also passed. The coffee maker is still waiting for parts. Metal signs are being made for flag collection boxes.

- d. First Vice Commander; We are at 100.80% of our goal, and still reminding members to renew their dues. All Post Members should take the free be the one course, and working with the 345 list to ask them to transfer to our Post because we are in their community.
- e. Second Vice Commander; No report tonight
- f. Finance; The financial documents were read and we have \$20, 986 dollars in the bank. A Motion was made by Harry Woodstrom to accept these records. Motion was 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ernie Cormier, no discussion, Motion passed. These records are available to review after this meeting.
- g. Judge Advocate; No report , but American Legion College is coming soon.
- h. Chaplain; No report
- i. Service Officer; Assisted 2 Veterans; 1 looking for an ID card for his Wife and another Veteran who is seeking assisted living location.
- j. Oratorical; No report
- k. Boys State; Sunday we had 124 people here and 59 Boy's for their orientation.
- l. Honor Guard; 8 Functions were conducted.
- m. Riders; Our Meeting was on May 16<sup>th</sup> and Elected Officers for 2025/2026 year. Our next ride is on May 26<sup>th</sup> and June 7<sup>th</sup>
- n. JSSP; Our last class was Sunday May 18<sup>th</sup> and 9 shooters finished with qualifications.
- o. Scouts; No report, not here
- p. Bingo; No report, not here
- q. Veterans Support Group; No report, not here
- r. Headstones for Hero's; 8 or 10 Headstones are ready to be placed.
- s. Commanders Report; Not here, Excused

## 8. Unfinished Business;

- a. None at this time.

## 9. New Business

- a Election of Post Officers.

The Adjutant read the following nominations for year 2025/2026

Commander; Morrow Krum

First Vice Commander; Dennis Wells

Second Vice Commander; Open/Vacant

Adjutant; William Kennison

Finance Officer; Harry Woodstrom  
Judge Advocate; C. W. Sparks  
Historian; Open/Vacant  
Chaplain: Robert Crutchfield  
Sergeant at Arms; Jose Nieto  
Assistant Sergeant at Arms; Despina Scott  
Service Officer; Cheyene Eichelberger  
Assistant Service Officer; Christopher James  
Executive Committee At Large; Cary Snyder  
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4 Year Trustee; Brent Scott  
5 Year Trustee; Russ Tolleson

The acting Commander, who is the First Vice Commander, then asked for any nominations from the floor, great silence, then he announced that nomination are closed. Butch Sparks Motioned that the Adjutant cast 1 Ballot by acclimation for this slate of Officers. Motion was 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ted Whiteman , no discussion , Motion passed. The Adjutant then casted 1 Ballot for this slate of incoming Officers for 2025/2026 year to be installed at the June Membership Meeting.

- b. Caps and Shirts orders being processed by Commander.
- c. Game Night every Friday at 7pm
- d. Legion College coming to Post 164 date and time available soon.
- e. Events not mentioned?

Harry Woodstrom announced it is time to select a winner from entrants to Naming the News Letter Contest. A ballot was made from 5 selected names and the winning ballot name was "Veterans Voice" submitted by Commander Krum, who was excused.

10. For the Good of the Legion;

Butch Sparks commented on the great crowd of people who showed up at Boy's State Orientation

11. Correspondence and Awards; None at this time

12. Closing Prayer

13. Meeting Adjourned at 7:55pm

William Kennison  
Adjutant

Dennis Wells  
1<sup>st</sup> Vice Commander