

## The American Legion Post 164

### Minutes of Membership Meeting on Tuesday December 19, 2023

6:00 Social Time / Food and Beverages

6:30 Post Everlasting – James Weaver

7:00 Opening Ceremony called to order by Commander Batura

1. Officer Roll Call; Missing was Judge Advocate and Communications Officer
2. Introduction of guests; 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 Linda Malsbary President of Unit 164
3. New Member Introduction: No new members were present.
4. Recognition; Several Members and Officers received a Certificate from Post 164 Commander to thank them for their hours at Katy Rice Harvest Festival.
5. Minutes of the Previous Membership Meeting on November 21, 2023 were read and a Motion was made by Ted Whiteman to approve them. Motion was 2<sup>nd</sup> by Sandy Krum, no discussion, Motion passed.
6. Minutes of the Previous Executive Committee meeting on December 05, 2023 were read and a Motion was made by Sandy Krum to approve them. Motion was 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ted Whiteman , no discussion, Motion passed.
7. Committee Reports;
  - a. Finance; We currently have \$17,145 in the bank, the Finance Report was read. Motion was made by Harry Woodstrom to accept this Finance Report, Motion was 2<sup>nd</sup> by Phil Malsbary, no discussion, Motion passed.
  - b. Membership; We are at 86.40% of our goal for 331 members. We currently have 208 renewals, 5 members transferred from Post 345, and 15 new members.
  - c. Linda Malsbary presented Certificates to members for helping Unit 164 at their events.

8. Unfinished Business;

- a. Building Status; Commander spoke about several phone discussions and due to a reclassification of our building the forms were resubmitted to Fire Marshalls Office.
- b. Post Survey; Results of this survey should be available soon and will be disclosed at an upcoming Membership Meeting.

9. New Business;

- a. Change in Meeting Location to Elks Lodge; Commander also spoke about our new temporary location. Harry Woodstrom described the location and Motioned that we move there starting in January 2024 at a cost of 100.00 dollars a month. Motion was 2<sup>nd</sup> by Phil Malsbary, no discussion, Motion passed.
- b. Mid - Winter Conference; Commander asked all who wish to attend to send him an e-mail with their desire to attend.

10. Announcements;

- a. December 22<sup>nd</sup> till January 1<sup>st</sup> Stephen Baranyk spoke about how the fireworks stand will operate and asked for volunteers to sign up with form posted on our web-site.
- b. District 22 Oratorical Contest will be on January 7<sup>th</sup> Harry Woodstrom gave details and asked all Post 164 Members you are welcome to attend.
- c. January 13<sup>th</sup> is Cemetery clean-up of Wreaths, be there by 10:00am
- d. January 16<sup>th</sup> is next Post Membership Meeting, it will be at Elks Lodge
- e. Post 164 Riders will have a Motorcycle ride on February 10<sup>th</sup> all who ride are welcome.

The Good of The American Legion;

If there is no more business, our Post Chaplain will offer a closing prayer.

Commander, I now declare this Membership Meeting adjourned at 8:34pm.

William Kennison  
Adjutant

Peter Batura  
Commander