



AMERICAN LEGION POST 402

Minutes for General Membership Meeting August 3rd, 2020

OPENING – The ZOOM meeting was called to order by Commander Bob Hoffman at 18:05 hours.

FIRST ORDER OF BUSINESS

ROLL CALL OF OFFICERS – All were present.

GUEST – None

MINUTES – The Minutes of the July 2020 meeting have been e-mailed to all Members. A motion was made by Bill McCurdy to accept the minutes as written. Motion was seconded and approved. Minutes for members without e-mail will be mailed by USPS monthly.

FINANCIAL REPORT - was given by Kenneth Hoffman, Finance Officer. Motion was made by Bill McCurdy to accept the report as read pending audit. Motion was seconded and approved. Further information is available upon request to Kenneth Hoffman.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT - by Judy Peterson. Currently we have 54 members that have renewed. We need a total of 75 members to renew by September 3rd to keep us on track. September 1st is the cut off date for members to be eligible for the drawing for free membership for 2022. Drawing will be held at the September 7th meeting.

NEW MEMBERS - We have one new member, Mike Taft. All required documents have been reviewed and 2021 dues have been paid. A motion was made by Bill McGrath to accept the new member. Motion was seconded and approved.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

ADOPT-A-HIGHWAY – In honor of Patriots Day, we will have our trash pick-up on Saturday, September 12th at 7:00 AM. Please meet by our sign at the intersection of DeLuna and Front Beach Rd. if you would like to participate. Please bring pickers if you have one. Safety vests and water will be provided.

BINGO - A discussion was had concerning the Legion sponsoring Bingo one Saturday per month. Bill McGrath stated that he will pick up supplies and prepare hot dogs for lunch. We will tentatively start on August 15th, based on approval by the House Committee. Motion was made by Rob Smith to resume Bingo monthly. Motion was seconded and approved.

NEW BUSINESS

MONTHLY RENT – The VFW has reduced our monthly rent to \$50.00 for each entity for the months of August, September, and October. This is due to the building not being available for 3 months.

FUND RAISING - Commander Hoffman suggested raffling a S&W Shield EZ, 9MM Pistol with 1 box of ammo. Motion was made by Mike Starkman to spend up to \$600.00 for the purchase of the pistol, ammo, and cost of having tickets produced. Motion was seconded and approved. We will sell 200 tickets at \$10.00 each or 11 tickets for \$100.00. The drawing will be held after all tickets are sold at either a meeting or event.

DISTRICT MEETING INFORMATION - The District Meeting was held on July 25th via ZOOM and in person at Post 392. 1st District Lamar Carrol reminded everyone that Post meetings can be held with social distancing and no alcohol.

Project Vet Relief is offering grants to veterans for assistance during the pandemic. Contact Judy Peterson or Bob Hoffman for information.

It was also requested that all Post's resume Buddy Checks and report number of contacts to Judy Peterson each Sunday. Commander Hoffman reminded everyone how important it is to stay in touch with our members amid the COVID 19 pandemic.

GOOD OF THE LEGION

SAMS CLUB AND DEBIT CARDS – Kenneth Hoffman discussed the Sam's Club cards and it was decided that the cards remain as currently assigned. Kenneth suggested that Adjutant Judy Peterson be given a Legion Debit card. Kenneth stated that this would be helpful when purchasing general office supplies and attending Legion Conferences and Conventions. Motion was made by Mike Starkman to allow Judy Peterson to have a Legion Debit card. Motion was seconded and approved. Mike Dwyer recommended that we add Standing Orders to address who will have the debit cards and who needs to be bonded.

DECEASED MEMBER – It was announced that Legionnaire Robert Byrd has passed. He was currently residing in Prospect, Kentucky. Anna Miner requested that she and Judy Peterson share information on deceased members due to many dual members of the VFW and Legion.

Closing prayer was offered by Chaplain Ed Nendick.

MEETING ADJOURNED – by Commander Bob Hoffman at 19:10 hours.

Our next meeting will be held on Monday, September 7th, at 6:00 PM

Respectfully Submitted

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Judy Peterson
Adjutant

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Robert Hoffman
Commander