AMERICAN LEGION POST 177



POST OFFICE BOX 53 CANFIELD, OH 44406

DATE: 10 February 2018

SUBJECT: Minutes of the 06 February 2018 Monthly Meeting

- 1. Meeting called to order at 1900 hours.
- 2. 15 total present: 4 Officers, 6 Members, 3 Guests, 2 Auxiliary
- 3. A salute was offered and the POW flag was placed by the Sergeant-at-Arms.
- 4. Chaplain Duffett read a prayer.
- 5. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.
- 6. The preamble to the American Legion was recited by the members present.
- 7. Introduction of new Member: Chris Chiaro. New member Steve Sylak not present.
- 8. Aleia Osborne was the 9th and final young lady to appear before the members describing why she wants to attend Buckeye Girls State this summer.
- 9. Nico Miorgine provided members a synopsis of his time at Buckeye Boys State in 2017.

10. Committee reports and correspondences:

- a. Commander:
 - i. Summarized two (2) special January meetings to interview applicants for 2018 Buckeye Boys and Girls State.
 - ii. Read a letter from Justin McLemore requesting financial support for his Eagle Scout project to restore veteran headstones in Green Township church cemetery. Members requested more information before committing Post funds.
 - iii. Reminded members of the Veterans of the Valley Luncheon on March 20, 2018 in Struthers and asked First Vice to post notice of the luncheon on the Post website.
- b. First Vice: Endorsement not yet received from the FAA for a Memorial Day flyover by the 910th Airlift Squadron, Vienna, OH.
- c. Adjutant: Excused
- d. Finance: The Finance Officer reported the disbursements and deposits and the current accounts balance of \$ 4,920.84..
- e. Chaplain: Nothing to report.
- f. SAL: Absent

Unfinished Business

11. First Vice requested motion to accept minutes for all January meetins (posted on website). Bill Gibson so moved; Susan Sansenbaugher second; passed unanimously.

New Business

- 12. Because of the exceptionally large number of girl applicants for 2018 Buckeye Girls State, the Post Auxiliary will require some funds to supplement their donations. At present, they will need an additional \$810 (\$270 X 3). Bill Gibson moved that the Post provide the Auxiliary whatever additional funds might be required to send all qualified Girls State applicants. Chaplain Duffett offered the second and the motion passed unanimously.
- 13. Memorial to departed members: Robert Dean and Laura Rupert (Auxiliary).
- 14. For the Good of the American Legion. Frank Micchia made a presentation to the members regarding special "Veterans Only" parking signs. He noticed one at Home Depot and thought the post might benefit from taking on a project to educate local businesses about the appropriateness of such reserved parking signs. There was discussion and members thought Frank's idea was well worth pursuing. First Vice suggested that the Post could consider "seeding" the program with signs we procure and that Chaplain (Mayor) Duffett could place the first one in front of Canfield City Hall. First Vice will investigate the cost for signs, personalized with the Post 177 information. All members thanked Frank for his thoughtful suggestion.
- 15. The Chaplain offered a final prayer and the POW flag was recovered by the Sergeant-at-Arms.
- 16. Next meeting on Tuesday, March 6, 2018 at the Township Hall.
- 17. Meeting adjourned at 2015 hours.

CHARLES M. COLEMAN First Vice Commander

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