

AMERICAN LEGION POST 177 POST OFFICE BOX 53 CANFIELD, OH 44406

DATE: April 20, 2020

SUBJECT: Minutes of the April 20, 2020 leadership meeting

1. Meeting called to order at 6pm over FreeConferenceCall

2. Total present: Officers: 5 Members: 0 Guests: 0

Opening ceremonies were waved due to virtual nature of the meeting.

Chaplain said an opening prayer.

The normal meeting scheduled for April 7, 2020 was cancelled due to the Covid-19 pandemic.

Commander Kubitza, Vice Commander Coleman, Chaplain Duffett, Finance DiLorento, and Adjutant Sansenbaugher were in attendance via teleconference. Covid-19 continues to cause the State of Ohio to shutter businesses and travel except for those deemed "essential." Gatherings have been highly discouraged.

3. New member Ted Miller (93 total)

4. Reports:

a. Commander: N/A

b. First Vice Commander: N/A

c. Adjutant: N/Ad. Chaplain: N/A

e. Finance

Disbursements:

3/8	#338	\$69.50	Chuck Coleman (ROTC medals)
3/19	#340	\$27.50	Dept of Ohio membership
3/31	#341	\$27.50	Dept of Ohio membership
3/12	DC	\$22.95	Gionnios Pizza (Am Lgn County
			Council Mtg)
	Total:	\$147.75	

Deposits:

3/8 \$250.00 Flagpole donation A-1 Storage

3/18 \$ 70.00 Membership

Total: \$320.00

Balance: \$14,688.84

New business:

A. Discussion of Memorial Day 2020: We should cancel large Memorial Day services. Flags might be placed on the graves. Dominic will look into whether flags will be distributed. Cemetery event only, no public, no public notification, post firing squad to be reduced to three members.

We will have six names for the Wall of Honor, and we will notify the six families that the names will be read at the private Memorial Day post ceremony, and next year the families will be invited for a public ceremony at the Wall of Honor.

We have someone who can help us with possible livestream on Facebook, and we can get music to dub into the livestream. The post will ask if a Canfield band member(s) would be willing to play Taps. Chaplain Duffett will check with city to see if they could either livestream or record it for later, or just record it with a decent camera. Cmdr will get video set up.

Discussion ensued to consider expenses, who from and how much to claim, mostly for liability insurance. A cover letter will be drafted for a press release.

- B. 60 ft flag pole can be put up as there seems to be no restrictions on construction currently. Flag pole ceremony will be delayed due to Covid-19. Congressman Johnson will be rescheduled as he was booked for original dedication ceremony date.
- C: Meeting for May 5 could be run virtually. We will attempt to do so for next meeting.
- 6. Memorial to departed member Eric Cahalin
- 7. Chaplain said a closing prayer
- 8. Next meeting Tuesday, May 5, 7:00 pm and will be run virtually.
- 9. Adjourned at 6:54 pm

//S// Susan M. Sansenbaugher Adjutant