



AMERICAN LEGION POST 177

POST OFFICE BOX 53
CANFIELD, OH 44406

DATE: May 7, 2023

SUBJECT: Minutes of the May 2, 2023 Post Meeting

1. Meeting called to order at 7:00 PM with 5 officers, and 13 members present.
2. Hand Salute rendered. POW flag placed by Sergeant-at-Arms Gibson, and a prayer offered by Chaplain Duffett.
3. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited followed by the Preamble to the Legion Constitution.
4. Roll call of officers: First Vice Sansenbaugher excused; Second Vice Cooper excused; all other officers present.
5. Committee reports, correspondences:
 - a. Commander:
 - i. Welcomed County Commander Sam Swogger and allowed him to explain the closing of a Youngstown Post.
 - ii. UVC Dinner for 5/11 has been canceled. No reschedule date.
 - iii. J.T. Whitehouse (Vindicator) looking for a Veteran of the Week. Must be from Mahoning County.
 - iv. Request for Honor Guard from Antoine Sisters. 2675Lipkey Rd. N. Jackson Friday, May 26 at 10:15AM.
 - v. Request for Honor Guard from Shepard of the Valley Boardman Chapel Tuesday, May 30, at 11:00 AM
 - b. First Vice: Excused.
 - c. Second Vice: Excused.
 - d. Adjutant: No report.
 - e. Chaplain: Updated members on health of Milt Kochert and Jim Duffett..

f. Finance:

i. Balance Regular Account: March 31, 2023: \$45,836.56

April Total Disbursements: \$ 1,838.17

April Total Deposits: \$ 1,466.04

ii. Balance Regular Account: April 30, 2023: \$45,464.43 (\$8,000 outstanding check to AMY Enterprises still uncashed).

iii. Balance Membership Account: March 31, 2023: \$123.50

Total Disbursements: None

Total Deposits: None

iv. Balance Membership Account: April 30, 2023: \$123.50

7. Adjutant asked for a motion to approve the April 2023 minutes. Motion made by Dominic Diloreto. Second offered by Mark Yoder and motion approved unanimously.

8. New business:

a. Commander updated members on status of monuments and sign for the Veterans Plaza. All should be in place by Memorial Day.

b. Commander advised that the Post would be providing an Honor Guard for the funeral of Post member William Philips on Saturday, May 6, 2023 at noon.

c. Commander updated status of activities for the Memorial Day Program. Adjutant said the F-16 unit is still working schedule so he also asked 910th AW to consider flying a C-130 over ceremony, too. With luck we may get both.

d. Adjutant advised that he had changed the Post By Laws consistent with comments made at the April meeting. He also stated that final drafts of both the Constitution and the By Laws are available on the Post website for final review by the members. We will vote on acceptance of both revised documents at the June meeting.

e. Commander opened the floor for second and last call for nomination of Post officers. Elected officers of the Post are Commander, First Vice Commander, Second Vice Commander and Finance Officer. Adjutant, Chaplain and Sergeant-at-Arms will be appointed by the new commander. A few additional nominations were received by email since the last meeting and no additional nominations were made from the floor. The final slate with winners highlighted is shown below. All were elected unanimously.

i. For Commander: **Dick Duffett**, Mike Kubitza (withdrawn).

ii. For First Vice: Chuck Coleman (withdrawn), Mike Kubitza, **Greg Cooper**

iii. For Second Vice: Susan Sansenbaugher (withdrawn), **Mark Yoder**

iv. For Finance Officer: **Dominic Diloreto**

9. Memorial to a departed member: William Philips
10. For the good of the American Legion: Nothing.
11. Chaplain Duffett: Final Prayer.
12. Recover POW Flag: Sergeant-at-Arms Bill Gibson
13. Next meetings as follows:
 - a. Tuesday, May 23, 2023 at the Canfield East Cemetery, 5:00 PM
 - b. Monday, May 29, 2023, 10:00 AM at the Veterans Plaza for Memorial Day Program
 - c. Tuesday, June 6, 2023 at the Veterans Plaza of Lane Faily Center in case of inclement weather.
14. Adjourn at 8:35 PM.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Char M. Coleman" with a stylized flourish at the end.

CHARLES M. COLEMAN
Adjutant