



AMERICAN LEGION POST 177

POST OFFICE BOX 53
CANFIELD, OH 44406

DATE: May 7, 2022

SUBJECT: Minutes of the May 3, 2022 Post Meeting

1. Meeting called to order at 7:00PM. Six (6) officers and ten (10) members present.

2. Hand Salute to the flag.

3. Chaplain Duffett offered a prayer

4. POW Chair: Bill Gibson

5. Pledge of Allegiance

6. Preamble to the American Legion Constitution.

7. Introduction of guest and/or new member: 888 transfers: Roy Dyckman, Charles Paden, Howard Caskey & Francis McPherson

8. Committee reports, correspondences:

a. Commander:

i. Provided a membership report update

ii. Advised submission of federal and state tax filings.

b. First Vice: No report.

c. Adjutant: No report.

d. Chaplain: No report.

e. Finance:

Balances: Regular Account: April 30, 2022: \$43,609.07

Membership Account: April 30, 2022: \$73.50

9. Unfinished business:

- a. Motion to accept Minutes for April 5, 2022 meeting minutes made, second offered and approved unanimously.

10. New business:

a. Veterans Plaza Update:

- i. One bid for concrete work came in at \$52K. Awaiting a second bid.
- ii. Also need final estimate for electrical work and fencing.
- iii. All other items have been identified and estimated/quoted.

- b. UVC Dinner Thursday, May 12, 6:00 PM, Immaculate Heart of Mary, Austintown. Scotty Crawford Youth of the Year. We have tickets.

- c. Chaplain advised that the Til Open will not be held this year and will not likely be held again. The Post has benefitted substantially from the Til Open – it generated the funds needed to send students to Boys and Girls State programs each year.

- d. Flags will be placed at the Canfield East Cemetery Veterans graves on Tuesday, May 24 @ 5:00 PM. Cub Scouts to help.

- e. East Cemetery Headstones: Sara DeRosa is taking on the project to clean veteran headstones and has identified a cleaning solution that looks promising. The Post's only input into Sara's effort will be to assist in identifying veteran graves.

f. Memorial update:

- i. Uncertainty remains on whether the gazebo will be available for the services (being rebuilt). If unavailable, services will begin at the East Cemetery. Commander Kubitza will confirm. If rebuild will not begin until after Memorial Day, then we will have the traditional 3 site program.
- ii. Kathy Butch will provide a musical selection, in addition to that provided by the Canfield Pride Marching Band.
- iii. Guest speaker confirmed (Susan Krawchyk); flyover confirmed.
- iv. Post will provide Color Guard and Rifle Squad.

g. Replica of the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier will be at the War Vet Museum June 29 & 30, Wed & Thur, from Noon –7:00 PM: The organization is the Exchange Club from Rome, GA. Doug Speece asked if we wanted to be part of it. They would like to have an opening ceremony & closing ceremony. We were asked to provide a speaker. Thad Smith who was a member of The Old Guard will talk. The program is sponsored by Armstrong Cable.

h. Post 177 presented two Medals & Certificate to ROTC Cadet Clayton Jablonski on April 28 at the YSU ROTC Spring Awards Ceremony.

i. BBBS & BGS Report Back Wednesday, June 22 at St. Michael's Parish Hall.

j. Jim Duffett will be 100 years old on June 7, 2022. On June 12, 1:00-4:00 PM Jim's children will have a light lunch birthday party @ Eagles Club, 1655 S. Raccoon. RSVP by Monday, May 16. His children would like Jim to receive 100 birthday cards. Mailing address: 24 Neff Drive, Canfield, OH 44406. Diloreto moved to purchase a plaque to present to Jim on his birthday. Ray seconded and the motion was approved unanimously. Coleman will purchase the plaque.

k. Second call for officer nominations. Slate proposed as follows:

- (i). Kubitza – Commander (Elected)
- (ii). Sansenbaugher – First Vice (Elected)
- (iii). Cooper – Second Vice (Elected)
- (iv). Diloreto – Finance (Elected)
- (v). Coleman – Adjutant (Appointed)
- (vi). Duffett – Chaplain (Appointed)
- (vii). Gibson – Sergeant-at-Arms (Appointed)

Motion made to approve the slate as presented; seconded and approved unanimously.

11. Memorial to a departed member: Services for Frank Cavanaugh will be held on August 6, 2022 at 11:00AM at the Canfield East Cemetery.

12. For the good of the American Legion: None

13. Chaplain Duffett Final Prayer.

14. Recover POW Flag: Bill Gibson

15. Next meetings: Tuesday, May 24.2022, 5:00 PM East Cemetery
 Memorial Day Monday, May 30, 9:30 AM Township Hall
 Tuesday, June 7, 2022, 7:00 PM

16: Adjourn

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Chuck Coleman". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

Chuck Coleman
Adjutant