



## AMERICAN LEGION POST 177

POST OFFICE BOX 53  
CANFIELD, OH 44406

DATE: June 11, 2023

SUBJECT: Minutes of the June 6, 2023 Post Meeting

1. Meeting called to order at 7:00 PM with 4 officers, 14 members and 1 guest present.
2. Hand Salute rendered. POW flag placed by Finance Office Diloreto, and a prayer offered by Incoming Chaplain McQuain followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.
3. Roll call of officers: Second Vice Cooper absent; Sergeant-at-Arms Gibson excused; all other officers present.
5. Committee reports, correspondences:

a. Commander:

- i. Welcomed County Commander Sam Swogger and suspended meeting for the period of time necessary for Swogger to swear in the new Post officers duly elected at the May meeting:

Commander: Dick Duffett

First Vice Commander: Greg Cooper

Second Vice Commander: Mark Yoder

Finance Officer: Dominic Diloreto

- ii. Commander Duffett immediately appointed Chuck Coleman as Adjutant, Bill Gibson as Sergeant-at-Arms and Steve McQuain as Chaplain.

- iii. Commander Duffett resumed the meeting and reported that Local Scout Troop 25 is soliciting donations. This Troop has always been a strong supported of Post 177. Adjutant Coleman moved to donate \$50 to the Troop; Susan Sansenbauger seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

- iv. Rittman National Cemetery is also soliciting donations. Chaplain McQuain moved to donate \$50 to the cemetery; Bernie Kosar made the second and it passed with all but one (1) vote in favor.

- v. Commander Duffett updated the members on services planned for Post member (and the Commander's uncle) Jim Duffett which will be held on June 23 and 24 at the Lord of Life Lutheran Church, times TBD.

b. First Vice: Absent.

c. Second Vice: No Report.

d. Adjutant: The Adjutant reported that the Consolidated Post Report (CPR) and the Certification of Officers had been prepared and submitted to the Department of Ohio. He also reported that the Department Convention is scheduled and if the Post was planning on sending any representatives to the Convention, said representatives had to be approved by the membership. No one expressed an interest in attending the convention so no vote by members required.

e. Chaplain: No report.

f. Finance:

i. Balance Regular Account: April 30, 2023: \$45,464.43

April Total Disbursements: \$ 16,128.08

April Total Deposits: \$ 3,455.00

ii. Balance Regular Account: May 31, 2023: \$32,791.35 (\$8,000 outstanding check to AMY Enterprises still uncashed).

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

Total Disbursements: None

Total Deposits: None

iv. Balance Membership Account: May 31, 2023: \$123.50

7. Adjutant asked for a motion to approve the May 2023 minutes. Motion made by Pat Gaia. Second offered by Susan Sansenbaugher and motion approved unanimously.

8. New business:

a. Commander Duffett noted that the Post Honor Guard gave honors to member William Philips and also performed in the Memorial Day programs at the Shepherd of the Valley and Sister Antoine Nursing Homes.

b. Commander Duffett deferred to previous Commander Kubitz to review the Post's Memorial Day Program that began on the Veterans Plaza, moved to the East Cemetery and finished at the War Vet Museum.

c. Commander Duffett asked for a motion to approve the Post Constitution as revised and reviewed during the March and April Post meetings. Motion to approve by Finance Officer Diloreto, seconded by Susan Sansenbaugher and approved unanimously.

d. Commander Duffett asked for a motion to approve the Post By Laws as revised and reviewed during the April and May Post meetings. Motion to approve by Wayne Recknor, seconded by Bernie Kosar and approved unanimously.

e. The Post will once again be leading the Fourth of July Parade that will begin at 10:00AM at Gate 5 across from the OSP Station. Members should arrive at 9:45AM to board the people mover. Also, the Post will provide a Color Guard for the parade. Five (5) members will be required. Please advise the Commander or Pat Gaia if you are willing to serve in the Color Guard.

f. Commander Duffett reminded members that the Canfield Fair Schedule to work the Veterans Memorial Log Cabin is available for sign up.

g. Finance Officer Dilorreto briefed members on his plans for the Honor Guard that includes purchase of a common uniform for members. He also discussed inspection and cleaning of rifles.

h. Commander Duffett presented past Commander Kubitza a Certificate of Appreciation for his ten (10) years of faithful service as Post 177 Commander.

9. Memorial to a departed member: Chaplain McQuain offered memorial remarks for departed Post members John Cochran and Jim Duffett.

10. For the good of the American Legion: Nothing.

11. Chaplain McQuain: Final Prayer.

12. Recover POW Flag: Finance Officer Dilorreto.

13. Next meetings as follows:

a. Wednesday, June 14, 2023 Flag Disposal at the Canfield East Cemetery, 5:00 PM

b. Thursday, June 15, 2023, Mahoning County American Legion Council meeting, Lowellville Post 247, 7:00 PM.

c. Wednesday, June 21, 2023 Buckeye Boys and Girls State Report Back at St Michael's Church Family Life Center, 6:00 PM.

d. There is no Post meeting in July. Next regular Post meeting will be on Tuesday, August 1, 2023 beginning at 7:00 PM at the Veterans Plaza. In case of inclement weather, the meeting will be held at the Lane Family Event Center.

14. Adjourn at 8:20 PM.



CHARLES M. COLEMAN  
Adjutant