

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

DATE: April 6, 2021

SUBJECT: Minutes of the April 6, 2021 Post Meeting

- 1. Meeting called to order at 7pm. Meeting was held at St. Michael's Catholic Church Hall to meet state distancing requirements for Covid19.
- 2. Total present: Officers: 5 Members: 6 Guests: 0
- 3. Hand Salute to the colors was rendered
- 4. Chaplain Richard Duffett opened the meeting with a prayer.
- 5. Sergeant-At-Arms Bruno Waljszczuk for Bill Gibson placed the POW/MIA flag
- 6. Pledge of Allegiance
- 7. Preamble to the American Legion was recited by members present

Recognize Past Commanders: N/A

8. Introduction of guest and/or new members:

Committee Reports and Correspondence:

 a. <u>Commander:</u> 4th of July Parade letter. They are planning on a regular parade. On Monday, July 5 Canfield will have reverse parade if necessary.

We received a letter from Mahoning County Veterans Service Commission reminding us to pick up flags on Sunday, April 25. Dominic will pick these up.

Received a \$100.00 check from Ann Crawford in honor of Mr. Cecil Duffett and Ms. Jean Duffett

Received a request from the Memorial Day Foundation. If no objection we will donate \$25

Received a request from Mahoning County Veterans Service Commission to present a certificate to a 100 year old Veteran Dominic Zurella on May 23 at Ironwood,

Secretary of State sent a letter to renew our non-profit status. Will file Federal and State taxes as well.

b. <u>First Vice</u>: No Reportc. <u>Adjutant</u>: No Report

d. Chaplin: Wanted to thank everyone for the support during recent family

funerals.

e. Finance: Finance Officer Dominic DiLorento reported

Balance as of February 28, 2021: \$12,521.62

Disbursements:

3/1 364 26.35 Mike Kubitza postage reimbursement 3/21 Crdt Card 150.00 Lori Stone VA Outreach Food Bank (2

Aldi gift cards

Total \$176.25

Deposits:

0.00

Total: \$0.00

Balance: \$12,345.27

(NOTE: Two \$100 checks authorized at our March meeting for Zion Lutheran Food Bank and Austintown Fitch Choir will be issued in April. Cmdr spoke with Dr. Marcus at the VA about bus passes. He said for now veterans are riding for free, and when he needs passes he will contact us.

Lori Stone expressed appreciation for the Aldi gift cards and said thank you to post members.)

Unfinished Business:

9. First Vice: Motion to accept minutes for March 2, 2021. Motion seconded and approved.

New Business:

10.

- a. First Vice, update on Flagpole/landscape. We have about \$9K available.

 Concept landscaping plans were passed out. First Vice will begin to investigate costs for various landscaping features such as brick sidewalk, pillars, etc.
- b. Cmdr will start to send requests out for Memorial Day for donations. Our

plans currently are to run a full Memorial Day program. This will depend on Covid19 restrictions at the time.

- c. Chaplain said Till open will be taking place this year. Might be able to tie in the flag pole dedication into publicity. Further, the city wants to honor the American Legion post for erecting the new flag pole on the North Green. Our congressman wants to attend, the city wants to do something for Flag Day for on a day like June 11 at 10 AM. Weekday better for publicity. Chaplain will speak to council about this.
- c. First round of nominations for post officers: Cmdr, First Vice, Finance Officer. Chaplain and Adjutant are appointed by the commander. There are three calls. Current Cmdr is stepping down. Nominations are as follows For commander:

Richard Duffett -Chuck Coleman Susan Sansenbaugher

For First Vice Commander: Chuck Coleman (depends if doesn't win cmdr) Greg Cooper

Dominic for Finance

Memorial to Departed Members: N/A

For the Good of the Legion

Chaplain: Closed meeting with final prayer

Recover POW/MIA flag: Sgt-at-Arms Bruno Waljszczuk for Bill Gibson

Next Meeting: Next regular meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, May 4, 7:00 PM at St. Michael's Catholic Church. Meetings will be held at St. Michael's thru June.

Next UVC meeting is April 19, at St. Stanislaus at 430 Williamson Ave Target date to place Cemetery Flags: Tue, May 25, 5 p.m. East Cemetery

Target date for Flag Disposal: Mon, June 14, 5 p.m. East Cemetery

Meeting adjourned at 8:02 PM

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Susan M. Sansenbaugher, Adjutant