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AMERICAN LEGION

ADAMS, HANNA, MOORE MEMORIAL POST 156

Agenda Thursday, September 19, 2024

1900 Hrs. – VFW Hall (with virtual link)

1. Opening Ceremony
2. The Commander recognizes any visiting dignitaries

**\*\*CDR Tim Cushion, Adjutant George Delaney**

3. Any Legionnaires here for the first time please stand and introduce yourself to include Military and Civilian professions. - **None**
4. Adjutant: Please read the roll call of officers and determine quorum (6 members of Executive Committee - **Completed**

Pause the meeting to review Boy and Girl State participants

**Colin Murphy, Victoria Land and Adi Ohri (3/4 nominated participants) attended and shared details about their experience at Boys/Girls State and how the experience will benefit them in the future**

Continue pause while the Officers are sworn in - **All officers present were sworn in by CDR Cushion**

Minutes: After the minutes of the last meeting have been read by the Adjutant, the Commander asks, "Are there any corrections?" If none the minutes stand approved as corrected." - **No corrections noted or revisions requested**

1. Finance Officer's Report: After the finance officer's report, the commander says, "If there are no questions or corrections, the report will be filed for auditing." - **AUG report details attached**
2. Officer's Reports:
  1. Commander's Report:

**\*\* VFW 7472 POW/MIA event scheduled for 20 SEP**

**\*\* HC Veteran Foundation discussion to support the fundraising drive was discussed. The VSOs will collectively donate 25K over 4 years. The HC Foundation board will review the proposal and render a decision in the near future. POC for action is Bob Gillette and P156 Commander, Andy Wolkstein.**

2. 1st Vice Commander: Report:

**\*\* Christmas party, 9 DEC**

**\*\* Transition of responsibility working with Adjutant.**

**\*\* Membership stands at 55%. We need an additional 138 members to renew to meet the 100% goal.**

3. 2nd Vice Commander: Report:

**\*\* ACE Hardware will continue to support Poppies**

**\*\* Next flag retirement will take place on 19 OCT**

4. 3rd Vice Commander: Report:

**\*\* NOV program will be provided by Howard County Government official to speak to the risk of being a victim of scams**

**\*\* Discussion amongst membership about topics for future Post presentations**

**\*\* Next meeting is on 17 OCT**

5. Adjutant's Report - Including letters received and date of next meeting

**\*\* Comments about the disposition of the deeds. Will address in new business. John Sheldon will take the lead on fact finding**

**\*\* Correspondence received and letters acknowledging donations shared and provided to finance officer**

**\*\* Public safety award nominations requested from HC Police and Fire Service**

**\*\* 2013 non renewals number 13 participants. 1st Vice will contact to reconsider renewal**

**\*\* Service officer Mark Mangus advised that he is moving and will be resigning his position immediately. A new volunteer will be sought.**

**\*\* Adjutant goal for 2024-25 will be to develop an automated process to collect monthly volunteer hours from all members.**

6. Judge Advocate: Report:

7. Chaplain's Report:

**\*\* Marv Best returned to the Post meeting. All were happy to see him and his wife and welcomed him back.**

8. Service Officer Report: **No report**

9. Public Affairs Officer: **No report**

10. Historian:

**\*\* Randy took pictures of meeting events**

**\*\* MIA/POW ceremony in the canteen at P 7472 on 20 SEP**

**\*\* Harriet Tubman event scheduled for 20 SEP**

### 3. Standing Committee Reports

1. Honor Flights

**\*\* OCT and NOV Honor flight schedule reviewed**

2. Liaison Reports:

1. VFW 7472: Robert Pelletier

**\*\* No report to share**

**\*\* Commander highlighted the P7472 assistance living facility gathering coordinated by P7472 and supported by P156 and P300. Kudos to members who supported this event.**

2. MCL 1084 – Bill Swain/Ed Hall - **No report**

3. HoCo V:&MF Commission & Joint Military Council – Greg Jolissaint

**\*\* Paul Turlington has been nominated for the HC Commission**

4. Other Special Committee Reports

Unfinished Business

**\*\* Constitution and By Laws were voted upon and passed**

New Business

**\*\* Motion to sell the deeds that have been in the Post's possession → next action is to discuss this with the Department of Maryland on actions to facilitate disposition.**

**Flag storage at Mariottsville Ridge. Sergeant at Arms (SAA) advises that storage area is filling up. If space reaches capacity SAA will advise Post leadership and supplemental storage location will be determined.**

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Closing Ceremony

Adjournment for Refreshments