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AMERICAN LEGION
ADAMS, HANNA, MOORE MEMORIAL
POST 156
Agenda for Stated Meeting May 16,
2024, 1900 Hrs. VFW Hall (with
virtual link)

1. Commander - Read Opening Ceremony - Colors are posted.
Members please rise - Pledge of Allegiance.
2. Chaplain gave Opening Prayer
3. The Commander recognizes any visiting dignitaries – **There were none.**
4. Any Legionnaires here for the first time please stand and introduce yourself to include Military and Civilian professions. – **There were none**
5. Adjutant: Please read the roll call of officers and determine a quorum (8 members) -
A quorum was established as present
6. Commander - The minutes of the April meeting have been published on the website; are there any changes or edits? Do I have a motion to accept as published (or edited)? If none, the minutes stand approved (or as corrected)
7. **Officer Reports**
 - a) **COMMANDERS REPORT:**
 - i) **Commander's Intent -**Commander covered the following topics.****

Maryland State Convention July 16 – July 19, 2024, and any days in-between. (See E-Mail)

Massing of the Colors at Ft. Meade, May 19th.
 2. **Commander-** Asked for a motion to suspend normal proceedings to allow the Judge Advocate to explain the Standard Rules for Voting. Then the Judge Advocate and

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3. the 3rd Vice Commandant presented the current Slate of Candidates for Officer Positions to be voted upon at the May Meeting. State. Ask for a second on the motion. Call for a vote.

Walt and Len present information.

4. The Commander asked for and received a motion to return to normal proceedings. Motion made, body accepted and regular business proceeded.

a) 1ST VICE COMMANDER:

- i) Membership Report -We are over 100% currently.
 - ii) Buddy calls: process and procedure- To take place in May. Still need some volunteers to make calls.
 - iii) Poppy signed up for Memorial Day will be on the website as well as a paper signed up sheet at our May meeting.
 - iv) Veterans Day parade to take place on November 10th, honoring Military Families.
5. Submissions were made for the Fire Fighter and Police Officer of the year. Awards were prepared.

2ND VICE COMMANDER:

- a) The flag cutting ceremony on April 20 was well attended and highly attended. We have retired a total of 5688 flags to date.
- b) Our first major 2024 fundraising effort will take place at Mission BBQ, Clark's Ace Hardware, and Lowes on Memorial Day weekend – 25, 26, 27 May 0800-1530 hours. Please help on Sign Up Genius. We need to beef up our coverage so that a handful of people are not carrying the load for the Post.
- c) Informal discussions were held after the meeting regarding the 2024 Charity Donations coordinated with Cory's Annual Budget.

d) 3RD VICE COMMANDER:

Milie Sing- our representative for the Oratory program took 2nd place in the district competition.

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e) ADJUTANT'S REPORT:

1) Mail Received- reported on receiving a packet from Nikki Randolph, Post 278 on Kent Island announcing her candidacy for Department Sr. Vice Commandant. She is an Air Force Veteran and had quite a list of accomplishments in the American Legion.

f) FINANCE OFFICER:

Financial Reports were submitted and accepted subject to audit. We had only 1 membership renewal last month. The Post's share for last month's Mission BBQ raffle was \$91.

Commander- After the Finance Officer's report- "if there are no changes or corrections to the Finance Officers' report, the report will be accepted pending audit."

e) JUDGE ADVOCATE REPORT:

f) Updated Post Bylaws were submitted and approved with one change.

(h) PUBLIC AFFAIRS OFFICER: -Excused

SERVICE OFFICER: -

Commander is the "acting" Service Officer. Nothing to report.

j) CHAPLAIN'S REPORT: - Excused

k) HISTORIAN: -Announced that he will be attending the Department Convention, taking pictures. All Historian records are posted on our Facebook page.

A reminder that May 18th is Armed Forces Day.

l) STANDING COMMITTEES:

1) Public Safety: John Spain – report included above with 1st Vice Report

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2) Scouting- Interest in sponsoring a Scout Troop/program

The Commander asked for anyone interested or being aware of a Troop that was looking for a sponsor to let him know.

3) National Security report: Marv. S. / Alan M.- Awaiting information for National.

4) Boys/Girls State-Previously reported.

5) Honor Flights – Randy attended March 28th. 28 Veterans and 28 Students accompanied them on that flight.

m) SPECIAL COMMITTEE REPORTS:

(n) LIAISON REPORTS:

1) VFW 7472 –No Report

2) MCL 1084 - Bill Swain -MCL hosted the 4/20 Flag Retirement Ceremony.

MCL also sponsors scholarships for High School students in Howard County

g) Memorial Day Weekend:

Saturday – Ellicott City Courthouse – VFW handling that this year. Sunday – St. Johns – C.A.P. has committed. Starts at noon.

h) Monday 0800 – Harriet Tubman Ceremony – Rev. Douglas Sands is the speaker.

3) HoCo V&MF Commission- Robert Pelletier

Absent

4) Any unfinished business? - None

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5) Any New Business? – John Sheldon explained the Department's activities as they affect the Posts.

For the good of The American Legion. -None

Chaplain – Gave Closing prayer-

Adjourned at -2045.