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AMERICAN LEGION  
ADAMS, HANNA, MOORE MEMORIAL POST 156

Agenda

February 15, 2024

1900 Hrs. — VFW Hall (with virtual link)

1. Opening Ceremony-**1<sup>st</sup> Vice Commander read Opening Ceremony, Colors have been posted and all members rose for Pledge of Allegiance. Chaplain gave opening prayer.**

The Commander recognizes any visiting dignitaries -**There were no dignitaries present.**

2. Any Legionnaires here for the first time please stand and introduce yourself to include Military and Civilian professions.  
**There was one Legionnaire in attendance for the first time – Bob ?**

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3. Adjutant: Please read the roll call of officers and determine quorum (6 members of Executive Committee) **Adjutant read the roll call and announced that there was a quorum present.**
4. 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." **1<sup>st</sup> Vice Commander stated that the minutes of last month's meeting will be posted in the next few days.**
5. 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." **Finance Officer gave his report. There were some questions regarding what charities we were making donations to. Asked for a motion to authorize the purchase of tickets for the VFW event coming up. The tickets would then be sold to our membership to cover that expenditure.**

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## 6. Officer's Reports:

Commander's Report: **Excused – on travel**

1st Vice Commander: Report – **Announced that we were now over 100% paid members (first time in quite a while). We still have about 24 members who still owe their 2024 dues. The Buddy Calls that the 1<sup>st</sup> Vice and the Adjutant made were effective. Discussed the need to keep our meetings to one hour or less in the hopes that more members will want to attend. He introduced the subject of the “Hoby Leadership program” that was created by the Actor – Hugh O’Brien. The Adjutant presented the background on the program and indicated that the Regional Director had requested that we sponsor at least one High School Sophomore to the Regional Program this year. The cost is approximately \$500 per. After discussion, the membership felt more information was needed and there was no budget line to make a contribution for this fiscal year.**

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2nd Vice Commander: Report – **Reminder that the next flag retirement ceremony is scheduled for April 20<sup>th</sup> Also, we need to get prepared for the Poppy Weekend for tis coming Memorial Day. We need to have more members supporting the event that in the past where members worked double shifts etc. because there were not enough volunteers to fill out the schedule.**

3rd Vice Commander: Report: **Len Leffner just assumed this position gave a brief report on the Oratory competition.**

Adjutant's Report - Including letters received and date of next meeting: **Adjutant turned over several “Thank you” letters from organizations that we made donations to, to the Finance Officer. Also reported on a program at the Miller Branch Library on raising Bonsai plants.**

Judge Advocate: Report – **J. A. was not present.**

Chaplain's Report- **Announced that Marv Best is out of the hospital and doing well.**

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Service Officer Report- **No Report**

Public Affairs Officer: Report Historian:  
Report- **Excused**

8. Standing Committee Reports

Honor Flights **Randy Bohn gave a report and announced that to date, we have met and honored 1066 Veterans at BWI**

9. Liaison Reports

VFW 7472 – Robert Pelletier – **No Report**

MCL 1084 – Bill Swain/Ed Hall – **Report**

HoCo V&MF Commission & Joint Military Council – **Greg Jolissaint – Excused**

10. Special Committee Reports

Constitution and Bylaws (Standard Practices) – John Sheldon -

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**1<sup>st</sup> Vice announced that John Sheldon provided the revised Post Constitution and ByLaws which had been approved by the DEC in 2020. A motion was made and seconded to accept the revised C&BL. Motion was approved by membership present.**

Boys/Girls State – **John Spain** - 2 boys/ 1 girl-

Charities - Marvin Stocker -. **Finance Officer read off the charities and said that the ‘donations committee would be doing a review in the near future to recommend and additions, deletions, increases or decreases and those recommendations will be presented at a future meeting.**

## 11. Unfinished Business

**1<sup>st</sup> Vice Commander brought up the subject of a planned dues increase by National of \$5.00 and one by the Department of \$2.00. We had voted to increase our Post dues to \$42 at**

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**the last meeting. There followed a discussion, and a motion was made and seconded to approve a Post dues of \$45 effective July 1, 2024. The members present voted to approve the change to \$45.**

12. New Business – **1<sup>st</sup> Vice raised the need for Coverage of District/Regional Meetings**
13. For the Good of the American Legion- **None**
14. Closing Ceremony-
15. Adjournment at 2016.