

VFW Post 10148

Meeting led by the Post Commander

Wednesday, May 20, 2020

6:00 - 7:05 PM

Key Takeaways:

- The meeting attendance was good: 21 Post members and 1 District 8 representative. Officers present: Commander, Senior Vice Commander, QM, Two-Year Trustee, Three-Year Trustee, Surgeon, Adjutant, VSO.
- Minutes of April meeting were read and approved by the membership.
- Membership Chair not present. Five membership applications were presented by James Hathaway and all applicants were voted into the Post.
- Quartermaster presented a report of the balances in each of the three Post accounts: the Operating Account, the Capital Account (Building Fund), and the ATM account. County taxes have been paid including a late fee of about \$85.
- House Committee not currently seated given the renovation of the Post and its canteen. A Facility Committee chaired by Don Reott is coordinating the renovation and related Post operations.
- The Facilities Committee chair provided a report of the Special Meeting held on May 11th. That meeting provided a presentation of the renovation project including the scope of work, a budget, and a time line. At that meeting a preliminary budget of ~\$85,000 was approved by the Post membership present. The review of bids and selection of primary contractor for the floor/framing, electrical, and plumbing was also completed at the May 11th meeting.
- Proper access to the Sunrise Bank accounts has been established. The process was unnecessarily delayed and encumbered by the lack of a proper turn-over upon officer resignations in March.
- Frank Renner provided an overview of the planned Memorial Day celebration including the Memorial Day Observance and the Food Distribution. All present were asked to contribute food during the Food Drive scheduled through May 23rd. A motion was made and passed to spend up to \$550 of Post funds for the event. RADM Wayne Justice (USCG-retired) will be the featured speaker.
- James Hathaway presented a plan for the Post to support Space Coast Chive, a community service organization, in the conduct of a May 30th beach clean-up. The Post approved \$75 to support the event.

- The floor was opened for final nominations for the 2020-2021 Post officer positions. Only one position, Senior Vice Commander, had two nominations but the second nominee, after a brief speech, withdrew his name from consideration. The following Post members were elected for the 2020-2021 year:

Post Commander - Jeff Bucks

Senior Vice Commander - Don Reott

Junior Vice Commander - James Hathaway

Quartermaster - Colby Stallings

Chaplain - Rob Kane

3-Year Trustee - Frank Renner

District 8 Commander-elect Ron Chapman conducted the Installation Ceremony. The Post must have its full slate of elected officers reported to VFW Department of Florida by 06/01/20.

- District 8 Commander-elect Ron Chapman closed the meeting by reporting that due to COVID-19 crowd restrictions, the local National Cemeteries will not be conducting wreath-laying ceremonies on Memorial Day. He also encouraged the new Post officers to look more like VFW officers by purchasing and wearing VFW caps.

- The next Post Monthly Meeting is **June 17th** at 6:00 PM.

These notes were compiled by Don Reott.