

American Legion Riders Fallen Heroes Chapter 372
General Membership Meeting Minutes, March 21, 2021

Meeting called to order by Director Chuck Benham at 1003 hrs

Opening Ceremonies

Roll Called: Roster available upon request.
Quorum achieved
21 current members.

Correspondence

Challenge 22 Event and walk for Project VetRelief, sponsored by Post 129. To be held March 27, 2021, 10:30AM – 4PM, at the Jacksonville Beach Seawalk Pavillion. 2.2 mile walk on the beach, vendors, food, music and guest speakers

Troy Horsley has announced he is running for Northern Area Commander. He is currently unopposed.

New Members

Lenny Doerler– Motion to accept by Reed Bailey, second by Carl Zuber. Membership approved by majority vote. Welcome Lenny!

Introduction of Guests

No guests.

Reading of the Minutes

The minutes have been posted online.
Motion to accept by Joe Maltese, second by Don Crawford. Approved.

Financial Reports

Jim Hansen provided the financial report. Motion to accept, subject to audit, by Joe Maltese, second by Tim Bailey. Approved.

Officer's Reports

Past Director – no report.

Director – Chuck Benham updated us on the new logging system he is researching. This system was presented at the Annual ALR Summit. He has sent an email link to all members as a test. Please give it a try, so he can see if the system is working. For now, please continue to use the Post website, Riders Tab for posting of your hours.

Assistant Director – June will resend the email concerning ordering Chapter tee shirts. Please decide what you would like and reply back to her.

Chaplain – Thanks that Judy Bernat is uninjured. (She was rear-ended on her new bike).

Road Captain – Don Crawford and committee are currently working on details of our June 6 fundraiser ride.

Safety Officer – No report.

Quartermaster – We currently have 1 XL Orange Shirt; 2 women's vests, a black purse, assorted patches and rockers. Paul has ordered 4 back patches and will order squadron rockers.

Committee Reports

Regarding our June 6 event, a southerly route is being considered, as we usually tend to head north. They are also trying to keep the route nearer the beaches due to the daytime temperatures of the month of June. Chuck Benham suggested a stop at the Air Museum in Green Cove Springs. Joe Maltese suggested we have a guest speaker (possible WWII Vet), at the end of the ride.

Old Business

Dues are due. We discussed keeping our fiscal year the same as the Legion. Our fiscal year will remain July 1-June 30. Joe Maltese motioned, June Crawford second. Approved.

Our very own Patricia Patrick won the Post 283 Legion Chili Cook-off. Congrats!!!

Chuck Benham revisited the selling of scratch offs. The proceeds will go to our Building Fund. He will talk with the Elks to see if Nora can hold tickets for sale.

New Business

The Unity Ride will be coming to Post 283 on April 22, 2021. The ride departs for Kissimmee on Friday April 23, 2021. This ride coincides with Round Robin month, so the more participation, the better for District 5.

It is time for Officer Nominations.

Director: Chuck Benham – nominated and accepted.

Asst Director: June Crawford – nominated and accepted.

Sgt At Arms: Don Crawford – nominated and accepted.

Asst. Sgt At Arms: Carl Zuber – nominated and accepted.

Secretary/Adjutant: Robin Maltese – nominated and accepted.

Finance Officer: Jim Hansen – nominated and accepted.

Chaplain: Patricia Patrick – nominated and accepted.

Road Captain: Don Crawford – nominated and accepted.

Safety Officer: Tim Bailey – nominated and accepted.

Quartermaster: Paul Arambula – nominated and accepted.

Current nominations will be re-read at next meeting, April 18, 2021. Any additional nominations will be added. We will have a final reading and membership vote at our May 16, 2021 meeting.

Good of the Riders

March 27, 2021 – Post 129, Challenge 22 Event & Walk, proceeds to PVR.

March 27, 2021 – 1st Annual Irreverent Warriors Silkies Hike, proceeds to PVR.

April 2021 – Round Robin Month.

April 11, 2021 – Post 283 Group Camping, Fore Lake, Ocala – **EVENT CANCELLED.**

April 18 – 24, 2021 – State Unity Ride.

May 8, 2021 – Post 9, Boots on the Ground.

May 22, 2021 – Safety Stand Down, Alta Rd.

October 15-17, 2021 – Post 372 camping in Tomoka

Next meeting April 18, 2021.

Closing Ceremonies

Meeting adjourned 1105hrs,

Respectfully submitted, Robin Maltese, Adjutant/Secretary