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Joe Maltese Commander 2020-2021



Barry Litsky Adjutant 2020-2021

February 11, 2021

**General Assembly Meeting Minutes** 

General Assembly was convened at 1900 hours. Meeting was opened by 1<sup>st</sup> Vice Commander Barry Litsky.

Roll call of officers and executive committee members was conducted and determined a quorum present for post business.

Minutes of the Executive Committee of February 9, 2021 were read and accepted.

Membership Chair Craig Bernat advised that we had 182, which is 86.6% of our quota of 210.

Carl Zuber, SAL Director advised the Junior Shooters were now affiliated with Civilian Marksman Program. He also advised that the SAL was at 100% membership.

Finance Officer Craig Bernat provided the Post 372 Financial Report reflecting that our building fund was \$11,653.81 and the checking account was \$7529.25. The report was accepted by the general membership subject to audit.

2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Commander Patricia Patrick is coordinating a teacher of the year award and forwarded the application to the Duval Board of Education.

The post is completing a post Buddy Check.

The Taste of Jax is scheduled for March 27, 2021 at the World Golf Village in St. Augustine, FL. The post will conduct a recruiting event. The registration fee of \$37.50 had been approved and Finance Officer Craig Bernat will make the payment on line.

2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Commander Patricia Patrick is organizing a blood drive in conjunction with the organization Oneblood. A tenative date of May 22, 2021 was selected. Sgt at Arms Ben St. John will collect volunteer names. Judge Advocate Dan Hempsall with contact Loews in an effort to obtain gift certificates and to invite their employees to participate.

Law & Order Chairman Barry Litsky had received a suggestion to have our Police Officer and Firefighter of the year ceremony on a Saturday as a separated event and to obtain funds to have the event catered.

Executive Committee member Karen Tracey, Media explained that the Bravenet system was most suited to our needs. A motion by Chuck Benham to expend \$100 for the fee and was seconded by Craig Bernat. Motion was approved. During discussion Paul Arambula suggested that the Auxiliary and SAL contribute to the expense. There was no action taken on that suggestion.

Executive Committee member Steve Sullivan advised the membership that on February 27, 2021 there was going to be a grand opening of the POW museum at Cecil Field.

Judge Advocate Dan Hempsall suggested that the post hold a fireside chat on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of the every month. There will be a fireside chat on Saturday February 20,2021

Paul Arambula mentioned that the POW/MIA flag needs to be replaced and made a motion to do so at an expense of no more than \$100. This was seconded by Chaplain Alan Painter. Motion was approved and Paul Arambula will go to the flag store on Mayport Rd to check the pricing. Craig Bernat advised that on February21, 2021 there will be a Car&Bike show at Adamec Motorcyles on Bay Meadows Rd. This will be a recruitment event. Set up for those participating is 8:00AM to 9:30AM. The event will start at 10:00AM and end at 3:00PM.

The meeting was adjourned at 1955 hours.