

American Legion Riders Fallen Heroes Chapter 372  
General Membership Meeting Minutes, June 20, 2021

Meeting called to order by Director Chuck Benham at 1000 hrs

#### Opening Ceremonies

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

#### Correspondence

n/a

#### New Members

n/a

#### Introduction of Guests

No guests.

#### Reading of the Minutes

The minutes have been posted online.  
Motion to accept by Don Crawford, second by Joe Maltese. Approved.  
**Note: minutes are currently being posted on the new website.**  
[ALpost372FL.org](http://ALpost372FL.org)

#### Financial Reports

Finance Officer 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 reported there are still some issues with the volunteer hours reporting systems. For the time being please send your hours to June via email at [donjuneride@comcast.net](mailto:donjuneride@comcast.net)

Chuck reported on our June 6, D-Day Ride. We had a lighter than usual turnout but still consider it to have been a successful ride. The route included a stop at one of the Veterans Homes. A flag ceremony was performed and the flag presented to a 101-year-old WWII veteran. The ride also included a stop at the Military Museum in Green Cove Springs. The Auxiliary at Post 233 provided lunch and many riders struck gold with some great raffle items offered to our participants. Great job to those who organized and orchestrated this great ride!

Chuck suggested that all future committee work should be completed during our meetings and that 15 minutes per meeting will be set aside. We would like all members to participate in our events.

Chuck suggested another visit to the Veterans home. We could invite Post 194 to join, with a possible meal at Post 233. September 8<sup>th</sup> was considered.

**Assistant Director** – June will email shirt information to all members as soon as she can.

**Chaplain** – Please send prayers to the friends and family of Patricia Patrick, Janelle Hemsall and Carl Zuber.

**Road Captain** – Don Crawford reported he was pleased with our D-Day ride. The ride went off without incident and all participants seemed to enjoy the route. Don thanked Tim Bailey for checking the participating motorcycles for any unsafe vehicles.

**Safety Officer** – Tim Bailey felt the ride was safe. The emphasis was focused more on the riding, and maybe a bit less on the libations.

**Quartermaster** – Excused absence.

#### Committee Reports

See Director Report

#### Old Business

Chuck Benham reported that Brian and Cathy Rickert had provided \$70.00 seed money for the lottery tickets raffle we had discussed in our February meeting. Chuck provided the remaining \$90.00 seed money. Chuck reported that we had our first drawing at the Fireside Chat. We agreed to refund Chuck the \$90.00 he donated. These proceeds will help to benefit our rider programs. The next drawing will be at our next Fireside Chat to be held July 17, 2021.

Joe Maltese informed us that we are still in search of a post home. Keep your eyes open to all options.

#### New Business

We discussed a possible ride in the fall. The date of Dec. 5<sup>th</sup> was considered. Chuck will check the district calendar for availability. Chuck requested we consider what charity we'd like to support and bring suggestions and information to the next meeting. A suggestion of replenishing the "Post Covid Relief Fund" with the District.

Lisa Doerler made a suggestion of looking into Veterans with Alzheimer's. She will look into what their needs are and report back to the group.

#### Good of the Riders

July 7, 2021 – Officer Installations for Post 372, 7:00-8:00pm.

August 8, 2021 – Post 316, 5<sup>th</sup> District Meetings

September 18, 2021 – POW/MIA Ceremony, Cecil Field, details TBA

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

**Next meeting July 18, 2021.**

#### Closing Ceremonies

Meeting adjourned 1100hrs,

Respectfully submitted, Robin Maltese, Adjutant