



American Legion Mandarin Post 372

Celebrating 100 Years of Service to Veterans

General Assembly Meeting Minutes July 11, 2019

Alan Painter, *Commander*
_____, *Adjutant*
Barry Litsky, *1st Vice Commander*
Craig Bernat, *2nd Vice Commander*
Wayne Lee, *Chaplain*
Dan Hempsall, *Judge Advocate*
Don Severns, *Finance Officer*
Paul Arambula, *Sergeant-at-Arms*
_____, *Historian*
Barry Litsky, *Service Officer*

Executive Committee:

Dan Hempsall, *Past Commander*
Franklin Hunt, *Past Commander*
Jim Hughes

Steve Sullivan
Frank Nichols

Committees:

Audit, *Steve Sullivan*
Americanism, *Dan Hempsall*
Blood Drive, *Brian Lawn*
Boys State, *Tom Schneider*
Cancelled Stamps, *Marty Kaufman*
Children & Youth, _____
Law & Order, *Barry Litsky*
JROTC, *Martin Schwartz*
Public Relations, _____
Social Media, *Don Severns*
Strategic Planning, *Jim Hughes*
Teacher of the Year, _____
VA&R, *Service Officers*

The July 11, 2019 General Assembly of The American Legion Mandarin "Fallen Heroes" Post 372, Inc was held at the Mandarin/St. Johns Elks Lodge #2866 with 21 members present.

Guests

- Troy Horsley, 5th District Commander
- Annie Anderson, 5th District Auxiliary President
- Lena Heredia-Perez, 5th District Vice Commander
- Mike Garcia, 5th district Vice-Commander
- Brian Hancher, 5th District Chaplain
- Tim Pratt, 5th District Sergeant At Arms
- Walter Rasco, 5th District Sergeant At Arms
- Denny Luke, 5th District American Legion Riders Chair
- Joe Maltese, ALR Chapter 372 President and SAL Squadron 372 Commander
- Kathy Helmly, Auxiliary Unit 372 President.

Opening

The meeting was promptly called to order at 7:00 PM by Commander Painter and opening ceremonies were conducted.

Motion made, seconded, and passed to suspend the usual agenda and proceed with the installation ceremony.

Installation

Post Commander Painter turned the General Assembly over to the 5th District Commander Horsley.

- Commander Horsley had the 5th District American Legion Riders Director Denny Luke conduct the installation ceremony for ALR Chapter 372.
 - Installed were:
 - Chuck Benham, Assistant Director
 - Jim Davis, Finance Officer/Treasurer
 - Paul Arambula, Sergeant-at-Arms
 - Carl Zuber, Assistant Sergeant-at-Arms
 - Reed Bailey, Chaplain
 - Donald Crawford, Safety Officer
 - June Crawford, Road Captain
 - Robin Maltese, Secretary/Adjutant
 - Joe Maltese, Director

- Commander Horsley had the 5th District Sons of the American Legion Commander, Walter Rasco conduct the installation ceremony for the Sons of the American Legion Squadron 372.
 - Installed were:
 - Carl Zuber, Vice-Commander/ Finance Officer
 - Chuck Benham, Chaplain
 - Don Crawford, Sergeant-at-Arms
 - Jeffrey Haley, Asst. Sergeant-at-Arms
 - Joe Maltese, Commander
- Commander Horsley then invited Annie Anderson the 5th District American Legion Auxiliary President to conduct the installation ceremony for the American Legion Auxilliary Unit 372.
 - Installed were Kathy Helmly, Christie Easton, and Janelle Hempsall.
- Commander Horsley conducted the installation ceremony for American Legion Post 372.
 - Installed were Alan Painter, Barry Litsky, Craig Bernat, Don Severns, Paul Arambula, Steve Sullivan, Frank Nichols, and Jim Hughes
- Commander Horsley then returned the General Assembly to Post Commander Painter. Commander Painter then called for a 15 minute recess followed by an abbreviated General Assembly.

Minutes

- The Commander stated he had copies of the May, 2019 minutes available pending their posting.
- The Commander reported that the June, 2019 minutes are posted online.
- Motion to suspend the reading of the minutes from the May and June General Assemblies and approve them was made, seconded, and passed unanimously.

Correspondence

- No Correspondence

Reading in of New or Transferring Members

Name	Branch of Service	War Era	Info
Robert Berlandi	Army	VietNam	Transfer from N.C. Post 187
Frank Kello	Navy	VietNam	Need to complete MDF
Greg Mosher	Navy	WOT	Need to complete MDF
Firmin Southwell	USAF	WWII	Transfer to Post Everlasting

Motion to approve new and transferring members was made, seconded, and passed unanimously. The Charter draping ceremony to be conducted next month due to the abbreviated nature of tonight's General Assembly

Officers' Reports

- **Vice-Commander Bernat**
Vice-Commander Bernat reminded everyone of the upcoming spaghetti supper on Saturday, 20 July. The first team working the supper would be the Riders. Some details are still being worked out but it should be a great evening.
- **Finance Officer Report was available but not presented.**

Closing Ceremony

- Commander announced upcoming meetings as posted on the website calendar. Closing ceremonies were conducted.
- The General Assembly adjourned at 8:08 pm.

Don Severns

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Finance Officer