

**American Legion
Palm Valley Post 233
General Membership Minutes
October 2, 2014**

Commander Havekost called the meeting to order at 8:40pm.

Opening prayer offered by the Commander.

Roll call of twelve members present.

Minutes from the September 4, 2014 meeting were read. Motion to approve minutes was made, seconded, and passed unanimously.

The Commander recognized Past Commander Don Mills, SAL Commander Tex Ward, ALA President Judy Mills, SAL 1st Vice Howard Sheble, and VFW Post 3270 Commander Jim Durnal.

Jim Crutchfield was sworn in as Assistant Adjutant by the Commander.

The Commander reported that Wilbur Burnett has resigned as the Post's Chaplain due to health issues. The Commander asked for a volunteer to assume the position of Chaplain but there were no volunteers.

Applications/Transfers: New Members James Lange (Marines), Joe Cawley (Marines), William Carey (Navy), Luis Socias (Navy), Gary Pacciano (Army), Ted Mauzey (Army), and Tom Knowles (Air Force). Transfers: Ronald Hecox (Navy, Post 138). A motion to accept applications and transfers as read was made, seconded, and passed unanimously.

The ALA report was read and attached.

The SAL report was read and attached.

It was noted that the ALR sold 42 dinners at the Wednesday night dinner on October 1st.

The finance report was read and attached. Motion to accept report for audit was made, seconded, and passed unanimously.

The motions that were passed at the Executive Board meeting were read.

Motion to open the Post at 4:00pm on Mondays, Tuesdays, and Wednesdays with the condition that motion be open to modification based on experience in the future was made, seconded, and passed unanimously.

Motion to charge a fee of \$50 or 25% of gross profits, whichever is greater, to the entities for use of the kitchen was made, seconded, and passed unanimously.

Motion to charge Mike Shaar \$35 to use the kitchen on the condition that he maintain his Food Handlers Manager Certification at the Post with condition that the motion is open to modification based on experience in the future was made, seconded, and passed unanimously.

Motion to charge \$50 to use the kitchen was made, seconded, and passed unanimously. It was noted that this fee will be on top of any fee charged to rent the pavilion or Post for events.

Unfinished Business

There was no unfinished business.

New Business

Mike Williams asked why the Post does not have draft beer on tap. Terry Pasket stated that he knows of a brewery that will come in and set up cold boxes so draft beer can be offered. It was noted that the bar is outdated and may need renovation to make it more functional.

The pours by the bartenders were discussed. Although it appears that the bartenders are pouring correctly per the financial statements, several members stated that they felt their drinks were poured too heavy. The Commander stated that pour issues will be discussed at a future meeting with the Canteen Manager, all bartenders, and the Executive Board.

Mike Williams stated that the driveway has holes and dips in it again. Dan Wortmann stated that this issue can be corrected with volunteers using heavy rakes to even out the material.

Report of Committees

The Adjutant reported that the October 1st Membership goal was met with the Post reaching 65.403%. She noted that the next goal of 75% is due on November 5th and will be harder to reach. We currently need 31 renewals to meet this goal.

The Commander submitted his Commander's and Website Reports.

Past Commander Mills reported that he is currently the only Past Commander active at the Post and he has an event in the works but will need volunteers. He will share more information once the event has been scheduled.

For the Good of the Post

There was nothing further for the good of the Post.

Closing Prayer offered by the Chaplain.

Meeting adjourned at 9:56pm.

Minutes transcribed by Adjutant from an audio recording.