

**American Legion Palm Valley Post 233
General Membership Minutes
6 August 2015**

Meeting was call to order by Commander Sonny Kirkwood at 1912hrs

Opening prayer by Commander Kirkwood.

Roll call completed with 22 members present.

Minutes of the 2 July 2015 General Membership Minutes were read. To corrections noted, the Post Excellence Award received was 1 of 9 given to 5th District Post and 1 of 25 for The Department of Florida. Motion was made, 2nd and passed to approve the minutes as corrected.

NEW MEMBERS:

Edward McCarthy, USMC

Cameron Vean, USAF Active Duty

Motion was made, 2nd and passed to approve these two for membership.

1st Vice Commander Howard Sheble reported for the SAL. See report attached.

President Kathy Helmly reported for the Auxiliary. See report attached.

John Sherman reported for the ALR. See report attached.

Commander Kirkwood closed the Public portion of the meeting at 1920hrs.

OLD BUSINESS:

Al Hernandez reported on the Neese HS JROTC. They have competitions in October 2015 and February 2016 and a third one yet to be scheduled. At the present time The Neese JROTC is requesting that Post 233 sponsor these competitions by donating \$150 for each for awards. A motion was made, 2nd and passed to approve the support for the Neese HS JROTC.

NEW BUSINESS:

Items approved by the Executive Board

- BINGO Machines to be removed as soon as possible.
- Possible other gaming machines.
- Post to begin opening at 1100 this Saturday.
- Will have football activities on Saturday and Sunday.
- Rotate Friday night dinners with the responsible entity to have freedom of choice of menu.

Motion was made, 2nd and passed to approve all of the above items.

Committee Reports.

- Past Commander's Club – No report.
- House Committee – No Report.
- Planning Committee – No report.
- 1st Vice Commander has list of websites of benefit to veterans for aid and assistance.
- Adjutant – Reminded all to renew their membership before 31 December to avoid the dues increase to take effect 1 January.

- Finance – See attached report. Motion was made, 2nd, and passed to approve the report as presented pending audit. A motion was also made, 2nd and passed to approve the corrected July report pending audit.

There being no other business to come before the body, the meeting was closed in due form by Commander Kirkwood at 1951hrs.

Respectfully Submitted

James A. Crutchfield
Adjutant