

9 November 2022

MINUTES PALM VALLEY POST 233 AMERICAN LEGION EXECUTIVE BOARD

OPENING: Conducted by Commander Caroline Merillat

QUORUM: As determined by Adjutant Jerry Grause. In attendance were; Commander Caroline Merillat, Adjutant Jerry Grause, Allen Straw First Vice and E Board members Derek Prince, and Chuck Shoals.

FINANCE REPORT: Presented by Commander Caroline Merillat, the abridged version of the Finance Report with a current balance of \$1,200.00 was approved. The Finance Report was abridged due on going technical problems VyStar Credit Union is experiencing globally.

DISCUSSION:

OLD BUSINESS:

Commander Caroline Merillat reported that:

- 1) The "RUK For Life No Veteran Left Behind" 5K Race originally scheduled for Saturday, 11 November has been re-scheduled for Saturday, 14 January 2023 in order for the Legion to solicit additional sponsors.
- 2) MamaSama Catering Services will commence on Fridays and Saturdays from 6:00 – 10:00 PM beginning on 18 & 19 November with a "soft opening" in order to iron out and finalize operating procedures. For November and December we will operate on strict reservation basis. Beginning in January, the Post will begin advertising via social media.
- 3) The new fresh water well has been drilled to depth and capped by Hulihan's Irrigation. The Post now has to proceed with getting new equipment (tank and chlorinator), piped to the new well and then certified by St John's County Health Department. Jerry Grause volunteered to take the lead on this project.
- 4) It was reported that the Membership Drive the Post held in September at the Nocotee Farmers Market resulted 5 new members for the Legion and 2 for the Auxiliary.

NEW BUSINESS:

- 1) It was agreed that we need to assess and revamp the weekly Taco Tuesday Dinner and Texas Hold 'Em for 2023.
- 2) It was reported that an Incident Report was filed by the Post Bartender Kristen Cooper for an alleged incident on Thursday, 27 October involving Post Member and SAL Commander Pete Lenio. It was decided to hold a Disciplinary Committee Hearing on Wednesday, 16 November at 6:00 PM. Post Judge Advocate Roy Havekost to notify Pete Lenio of the Hearing.

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 7:00 pm

At 7:00PM the General Legion Meeting was opened. In addition to the Executive Board members listed above, in attendance for the General Meeting were: Julie Kay of the ALA and

Pete Lenio & Howard Schable of the SAL In addition, the 5Th District Comander was in attendance.

The General Members were advised that “RUK For Life” 5K Race has been rescheduled to November to 14 January 2023, and that MamaSama Catering Service were beginning on Fiday and Saturday night going forward, beginning 18 & 19 November.

The ALA reported:

- 1) That for the Sunday Football Funday on 4 December, they had a sponsor who was donating and serving an “Oyster Roast”.
- 2) That the ALA was hosting the Post Annual Christmas Party on Saturday, 17 December.
- 3) The Breakfast and Craft Fair needed to be rescheduled with a date still to be determined.

The SAL reported :

- 1) That Bryan Kay had recently been elected their Membership Chairman and 2nd Vice Commander
- 2) The Parking Lot light has been repaired.
- 3) Raised concerns that the Post telephone Service which has been out of order for some time now affecting Thursday Bingo Night attendance and that Post Internet Service has been sporadic and was affecting Sunday Football Funday service. The SAL wa to take the lead on getting these issues resolved.

MEETING ADJOURNED 7:15 PM