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Executive Committee & General Membership Minutes Wednesday, September 10, 2025 (6:00 & 7:00 PM)

EXECUTIVE BOARD & GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MINUTES:

- ✓ Commander Harding opens the E-Board meeting at 6:00 PM. Closed 6:50 PM.
- ✓ Colors in place, hand salute. Pledge of Allegiance.
- ✓ Chaplain offers prayer.
- ✓ Adjutant reports under current By-Laws; five members not present. However, under the interim quorum changes, quorum is defined as three (3) members for Executive Board and five (5) for General Membership. In attendance: Commander Harding, Adjutant Sonny Kirkwood, Larry Vismok, Bill Hyatt, and new member Bob Broderick.
- ✓ Minutes from August 2025 E-Board and General Meeting posted on the website.
- ✓ Commander Harding:
 - o Jenna King (American Income Life Insurance) addressed the General Member.
 - o Bunker Rental costs and bartender compensation for "private events." Motion is made to reduce Bunker Rental fees of \$200 for members and \$300 non-members. Bartender is at the expense of the host (\$20 per hour). Motion passed unanimously. Commander Harding reported past favoritism regarding rental costs in the past.
 - o Gambling machines. Because of District guidance and current Laws, Commander Harding recommended gambling machines be removed from the Post. Motion passed unanimously.
 - o Steak Nights (every Friday). Filet Mignon \$25 Ribeye \$20. Motion passed unanimously.
 - o Donation of two TVs to the Post by the Pasquale's family. One will be mounted outside to accommodate smokers during sporting events.
 - Membership card verification and guests signing-in. Commander Harding reported that the Post needs to be more diligent with checking membership cards and guest(s) sign-in; bartenders will be checking.
 - o Maximum expenditure on entertainment. Monthly budget of \$1,200. Motion passed unanimously.
 - o Adjusting the Constitution and By-Laws (quorum numbers) to allow us to conduct business. (three E-board and five General Membership). Motion passed unanimously.
 - o Flagpole rope, Parking Lot lighting, and U.S. Flag replacement. Rope and sensor replacement required. Motion passed for lift (\$500) rental for repair unanimously.

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- o Commander Harding reduced the Post's Dumpster size by saving over \$400 a month. Motion passed unanimously.
- ✓ Finance Report by the Commander:

Operations Account: \$6,811.28 Building: \$102.89 Money Market: \$541.53 Note: Commander Harding reconciled the Post's finances (Jun-Sep 2025). Copies provided. Several outstanding invoices still need to be paid (\$1,600 Insurance, \$2,750 Fire Suppression System, and \$450 Liquor License renewal). Energy Bill reduced \$200 because of Post hours.

- ✓ Motion to accept the Finance Report subject to audit. Motion passed unanimously.
- ✓ Old Business.
- ✓ New Business. Floor opened for Officer nominations. None. Julie Kay (Past Auxiliary President) asked for donations (three \$50 gift cards) for upcoming Halloween party.
- ✓ Commander Harding is initiating reinstating the Rider's Charter at Post 233.
- ✓ Port-a-potties were sabotaged with sand poured into the units. Corrective repairs are in progress.
- ✓ Commander Harding reducing beer prices to align with previous prices.
- ✓ Commander Harding closed the General Membership meeting at 8:15 PM.

For God and Country,

Mitch Harding (2025-2026)

Commander, Palm Valley Post 233

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