**AMVETS POST 2006**

**Leesburg, FL**

**Membership Meeting**

**6 May 2024**

Call to Order - The April Membership Meeting of AMVETS Post 2006 was called to order by the Commander at 1800.

Opening prayer by Bill McLaughlin

Posting of Colors by Acting Provost Marshall Ronne McLarrin

Pledge of Allegiance by Acting Provost Marshall Ronne McLarrin

Roll Call of Officers -

Commander Les Moreland  Present  Absent  Excused

1st Vice President Bob Bendeman  Present  Absent  Excused

2nd Vice President Ronne McLarrin  Present  Absent  Excused

Adjutant Tim Sorady  Present  Absent  Excused

Finance Officer John Jarboe  Present  Absent  Excused

Judge Advocate Bill McLaughlin  Present  Absent  Excused

Provost Marshall Charlie Thomas  Present  Absent  Excused

Chaplin Bill McLaughlin  Present  Absent  Excused

PIO Bob Peters  Present  Absent  Excused

Canteen Manager Paul Fairgrieve  Present  Absent  Excused

Officers 9 present, a quorum is present

Minutes of the Previous Meeting – Motion was made to suspend reading of last months meeting minutes as they are posted. Proper second. Motion passed.

Executive Board meeting minutes were read. Motion to accept with second. Motion passed.

A motion was made to suspend the regular meeting for the final nomination of officers with the proper second. Motion passed.

Report of Officers

Commander – Les Moreland: Lone Oak Cemetary sent an email that they will be placing flags on veterans' graves on 18 May at 0800. Coffee and donuts will be provided.

The report moved, with the proper second. Motion passed.

1st Vice President – Bob Bendeman: Life members 181, Annual 218, Transfer In 2, Transfer out 0, New Member 5, Total members 406. Still unknown on non renewals. Move report proper second. Motion Passed.

New members names read. Motion made to accept with proper second. Motion passed.

2nd Vice President – Ronne McLarrin:27 programs, with 309 volunteers for total cost of programs $57,797. Move report with proper second. Motion passed.

Finance Officer – John Jarboe: Presented both asset and income statements. Both are posted for audit.

Presented financial information from bikefest. Commander thanked John for his coordination of events.

Presented budget for 2024-2025, approved by Eboard. Motion made to accept, with proper second. Motion passed.

Adjutant – Tim Sorady: Website update, with increase in traffic. Period where website was down. Once adjusted, was back up

Posted for Honor Guard as we are starting it again. We currently have to pay to have an Honor Guard for any of our functions. We are looking for a 6 month commitment from people. It will take time initially as we learn the basics. Move report with proper second. Motion passed.

Judge Advocate – Bill McLaughlin: Discussed the nomination of officers and lack of persons stepping up. Move report with proper second. Motion passed.

Provost Marshall – Acting Ronne McLarrin: 10 members in attendance with one guest. Moved report with proper second. Motion carried.

Chaplin – Acting Chaplain Bill McLaughlin: No report from chaplin. It is mentioned that John Wright is in the hospital. Send card and accepting visitors.

Public Information Officer – Bob Peters: Leesburg will have a Memorial Day ceremony at Veterans Park on 25 May at 1000 to 1200. 18 May, Warrior Wheels Foundation has event at the Villages Polo Grounds. We should have representation at the event in uniform, hats or Amvets shirt.

10 May, will have the new Commander on the radio for an interview from 1200 to 1300. Moved report with proper second. Motion passed.

Canteen Manager – Paul Fairgrieve: Had great bike weekend. Air conditioning needed repair. Grease traps cleaned, as well as other regular maintenance. Move report with proper second. Discussion with Sons and they will install windows in smoking room. Once electric is added, fan to be installed. Motion passed.

Unfinished Business

Discussed fryer leak. Was approved to purchase. Motion made to replace fryer with proper second. Motion passed.

New Business

Motion made to donate $300 to Warrior Wheel Foundation. With proper second. Motion passed.

Eboard discussed purchase of tshirts as most sold during bikefest. Motion was made to purchase with proper second. Motion passed.

Eboard discussed purchase of flowers for Mothers Day to hand out. Ronne will obtain. Motion made with second. Motion passed.

Eboard discussed purchase of a brass plaque for the mural in smoker room for the Dean family. Motion made with second. Motion passed.

Memorial Day will be celebrated at the post on 27 May. We have speakers lined up. We will prepare hot dogs, burgers, and pot luck for those in attendance. Motion made to purchase hot dogs with second. Motion passed.

We had Docs Patches Plus at bikefest. He approached us about a monthly bike night and he will come up. We are tentatively looking at 14 June. Motion made for 3 month trial with second. Motion passed.

Request for donation from St Vincent de Paul. Motion made to donate $500 with second. Motion passed.

Request from Amvets Post 26 Riders, Dover FL for donation to their Type 1 Diabetes Ride. Motion made to give $300 with second. Motion passed.

Request for donation from Miss Leesburg Scholarship. Motion made to donate $500 with second. Motion passed.

Paul Fairgrieve mentioned that restrooms need to be painted, with estimate cost of $500. Motion made with proper second. Motion passed.

Advised membership of dispute from neighbor of property lines. Being investigated and will be reported once know.

Bingo will be suspended June, July and August due to attendance.

Good and Welfare

Insurance paid. Revalidation of post to be completed.

Closing Prayer led by Bill McLaughlin

Retire of Colors led by Ronne McLarrin

Adjournment – A motion was made to adjourn the Membership Meeting of AMVETS Post 2006 with a proper second. Motion passed. The meeting was adjourned by Commander Les Moreland at 1919.

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Adjutant Commander

The regular meeting was suspended. Request for nominations for officers was requested.

Positions were unopposed, and a single vote was cast. The following members were elected.

Commander: Ronne McLarrin

1st Vice President: Bob Bendeman

2nd Vice President: Position open

Finance Officer: John Jarboe

Judge Advocate: Tim Sorady

Provost Marshall: Charlie Thomas

Trustee Leader: David Groome

Trustee: Joe weeks

Trustee: Tom Whalen

The following positions were appointed:

Adjutant: Tim Sorady

Chaplin: Position open

PIO: Bob Peters

Canteen Manager: Paul Fairgreive