

# American Legion Riders

## Post 283 Membership Meeting

March 5, 2022

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 am.

Group recited the Rider's Creed.

Roll Called. Present: Director John "Pops" Lang, Asst. Director Danny Hill, Finance Officer Ella Rae Jansen, Quarter Master Ella Rae Jansen, Adjutant Randy Clayton, Sgt. At Arms Shelley Blevins, Asst. Sgt. At Arms Gerry Hiatt, Membership Director Beth Lowy, Historian Karen Hunter-Novak, Webmaster Randy Clayton. We have a quorum.

Not Present: 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Director John Lafferty, Chaplin Suzanne Hiatt, Road Captain Mark Lowy.

Asst. Sgt at Arms presented 2 new members: Ryan Brewer from Tennessee and James McAlister who was not present in today's meeting. Motion to accept new members, 2<sup>nd</sup>, approved.

Committee Reports:

Adjutant reported posting the previous month's meeting minutes on the rider's website. Motion to accept the prior months meeting minutes as posted on the website, 2<sup>nd</sup>, passed.

Finance Officer read a detail report of account balances. The business debit card was "hacked" and used for fraudulent purchase of about five thousand dollars. After many hours on the phone with the card company, we will be reimbursed the full amount. Motion to accept the report, subject to audit, was made, 2<sup>nd</sup> and passed.

Assistant Director: YTD Miles is 48,475 miles, YTD Hours is 6,288, YTD Donation is \$38,220.00.

Membership reported 8 new members to date. 70 renewed, 59 lifetime members, totaling 129 members. Director will provide a list of names of all current members.

Chaplin is excused. A couple of members are ill. Remember them.

Road Captain is excused. He is recovering from shoulder replacement surgery.

Safety Officer: Riders should be aware of the foggy and wet conditions on today's ride.

Historian: Currently taking pictures this month and next to update the website.

Asst Sgt at arms: 21 members present and 1 guest, and \$30 in the fund.

Event Coordinator: Camping trip was postponed. Cannot go camping in May. Dean will work on some days in June.

Quarter Master: T-shirts are available, and the patches have been ordered.

Unfinished business: We need a committee to meet and go over and approve the bylaws. Any member can be an elected officer without any duration of time; otherwise, we would be considered a "club." Everyone will get a copy of the newly approved bylaws.

There is a conference June 16-19 in Orlando, at the Hilton. This is a great opportunity to learn about the Legion and get to know people. We need a count of who is going to reserve rooms.

Snow Ball Express auction basket needs to be setup by June 2<sup>nd</sup>. It will be judge by State. Motion made to donate \$75, 2<sup>nd</sup>, passed.

The Yellow Sporty Harley, worth \$3,750, can probably be raffled off for up to \$5,000. Motion made to give proceeds to a charity that supports humanitarian causes in Ukraine, 2<sup>nd</sup>, passed.

Poker run committee consists of Chris, Shelly, Patty and Danny.

Time to start elections for next year's officers. Some names were suggested for each position.

We need the riders to fill in cooking once a month, on Tuesdays.

Motion was made to donate for Unity Ride for Suicide Prevention, \$1000 for rooms for a week, 2<sup>nd</sup>, passed.

Motion to adjourn the meeting, 2<sup>nd</sup>, passed, at 10:10 AM.