



Jim J. Gilleo American Legion Riders Chapter 283

Membership Meeting

September 8, 2023

The meeting was called to order at 09:00 by Director John Lang.

Past Director Rodney Fullwood offered prayer.

Pow/Mia flag placed on chair by Sgt at Arms Vickie Skipper-Compton

Plague of Allegiance lead by Asst. Sgt at Arms Rick Knight

Rider's creed was recited by all in attendance.

Roll called. Present: Director John Lang, Asst. Director Jim Nowak, 2nd Vice Ed Johnson, Finance Officer Ella Rae Jansen, Quarter Master Ella Rae Jansen, Adjutant Kam Sons, Membership: Elizabeth Lowy, Sgt at Arms Rick Knight, Road Captain, Steve Campbell, Safety Officer: Mark Lowey, Webmaster, Jim Nowak, Historian, Karen Hunter-Nowak, Event Coordinator, Kam Sons

(Quorum is meet)

Not Present: Chaplin Yvette Moore Asst, Chaplin Suzie Heitt, Sgt at Arms Vicki Skipper-Compton

Guests:

Committee Reports:

Adjutant reported that the minutes were posted on website and motioned that they be accepted w/ correction which was properly seconded. Motion passed.

Finance Officer read detailed report of account balances, checking \$11238.35 , Rider down fund \$2738.19, Money market \$4114.87, Charity Account \$7006.18, Poker Run Acct \$6926.00. \$25097.59 total funds available. Motion was made by Ed Johnson to accept finance report subject to audit, it was properly seconded and no discussion, motion passed.

Asst. Director: Miles for period 8122 Hours fir period 1398. Miles this year 2023.. 53273 miles and 10419 hours. 1750.00 for this month.

Membership: Elizabeth turned in her resignation and Karen Hunter-Nowak was voted in as new Membership Officer. 2024 Renewals are being accepted as long as your Legion, Auxiliary or Sons dues must be paid first. Starting in January 2024 we will be giving out consecutive years of service to the Riders. Please keep all your information up to date.

Chaplin: Flowers were sent for Ed Johnson's Brother's COL. Keep your thought w/ TW.

Road Captain: Riding to Post 372 for poker run will be leaving shortly after meeting.

2nd Vice: We have a Steak dinner on the 15th, on the 16th we have POW/MIA ride social after that, anyone who would like to volunteer is welcome too. We have the poker run meal on the 23rd volunteers are needed. Mark has 4 riders to help with the dinner.

Safety Report: Please make sure to check tire pressure and oil and full tank and empty bladder.

Quarter Master: Nothing new

Sgt at Arms reported 28 members, and \$29.00 in donations for Rider Down fund.

Webmaster: Minutes are on the site, he will put the plaque rules and district 5 rules on the website and pictures. He will be putting Poker Run flyer and registration form on website.

Historian: Please get her your pictures.

Event Coordinator: Poker Run, made a motion that the Riders donate \$3000.00 it was properly seconded, no discuss and motion passed. An application was done to Bacardi for 36 bottles of product. Martin Lightner is bringing 2 ice chests for beer to auction off, 4 gift cards from Adamec Harley Davidson, Ed Johnson has been working diligently on this poker and was given a round of applause. We are getting a lot of stuff for the auctions. We have received 2100.00 from SAL for K-9 Line. Ed and Mark are heading up the food. We still need volunteers to help with dinner. John and Val Vals will be here at post to pull chips but if TW cannot go to 37, they will take his place. Rodney will be their backup. Patti and Vicki will be handling breakfast. I have 2 people that will be volunteering for the auction table, and if anyone would like to alternate with them that would be great. If anyone has tables, chairs, fans and trash cans that they could bring that morning.

Director: We need volunteers to sit up tents for the Poker Run. Anyone that wants to earn their volunteers from another post please let them know they can come volunteer. Also, for taking down the tents the next morning. We are losing money on the Taco Tuesday meal, and we are thinking about the following in order to cover our expenses, if you buy a taco, you do not get the whole meal, if not they can get 2 tacos and the full meal. We will create a sign to notify them of the increase in meal prices.

If you take pictures of when you are stealing a plaque, please post it to the other Facebook page or let Kam Sons know and it will be shared to District 5 page. A bottle of liquor was bought for the poker run for 372.

Elite DNA sent a Thank you note for the donation. Barbara Lightner sent a Thank you note for the donation for Nancy Buenger. Anna Devore sent a Thank you note for the escort and COL for her father. Fisher house sent us a plaque and patches for our donation as well.

Rodney Fullwood made a motion to donate \$500.00 to be donated to Poker Run for 372 benefiting Veteran's Relief.

Ed Johnson stated when they were looking for sponsors the Moose Lodge donated \$100.00 and is having a bike night Thursday 9-14-23 and they would like to have us show up. Their Moose will ride in our run as well. Dave Siemen's is a Legionnaire, and the Moose is sponsoring \$7500.00 for the wreaths for Arlington Cemetery and he will requesting some help to put them out on Dec 16 at 7:30am.

A patch was presented to Ora Conely with his new ride name "Mad Jack".

Mark Lowy motioned to adjourn the meeting.

POW/MIA flag retrieved by Asst. Sgt at Arms Rick Knight

Closing prayer offered by Past Direct Rodney Fullwood.

Director adjourned meeting at 9:37.49

For God and Country

Respectfully submitted by:



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Adjutant

Kam Sons