



## **Jim J. Gilleo American Legion Riders Chapter 283**

### **Membership Meeting**

**July 12th, 2025**

The meeting was called to order at 09:00 by Director Edward Johnson.

Prayer was offered by the stand in Chaplin Gordon.

POW/MIA flag placed on chair by Sgt at Arms Vicki Skipper-Compton.

Pledge of Allegiance led by the Sgt at Arms.

Rider's creed was recited by all in attendance.

### **Roll called**

Present:

**Director-** Edward Johnson, **Asst. Director-** Jim Nowak, **Sgt at Arms-** Vicki Skipper-Compton, **Membership-** Karen Hunter-Nowak, **Webmaster-** Jim Nowak, **Historian-** Kaytlyn Satterwhite, **Finance Officer-** Ella Rae Jansen, **Quarter Master-** Ella Rae Jansen, **Event Coordinator-** Ella Rae Jansen, **Adjutant-** Ashley Lambert, **Safety Officer-** John Lambert, **2<sup>nd</sup> Vice-** Brenda Johnson, **Women Veterans-** Ashley Lambert

**Not Present:** **Chaplin-** Phillipe Dupont, **Road Captain-** Kyle Satterwhite

(Quorum is met)

### **Committee Reports:**

**Adjutant:** In lieu of reading the minutes, they are posted on our website. A motion was made by Ashley Lambert to accept minutes as posted. Motion was seconded by Vicki Skinner-Compton and John Lambert, without any discussion motion passed.

**Finance Officer:** The finance report was read. Vicki Skinner-Compton made a motion to accept the Finance Officers' report subject to audit. Ashley Lambert seconded the motion. No discussion was had. Motion passed.

**Ast. Director:** Last month's totals: 8,625.7 miles, 1258.75 hours, \$0 donations. YTD: 28,754.5 miles, 2,909.11 hours, \$2000 donations. We will be cleaning up our private Facebook group, we have a few people there that are not members of our post. We will be calling members that we have not seen in a while to check up on them

and see if they are still members. We would like to do a ride to raise money for the building expansion fund here at the post. The district dues will be going up 3\$ in January 2026, we are not sure if our posts dues will be increasing though. Summit this year will be in Daytona. We came in 6th for Chapter of the year this year. Yevette is in the hospital, and Mike Coughman is not doing well. Please keep them in your thoughts and prayers.

**Chaplin:** EXCUSED.

**Sgt at Arms:** We have 28 members and 1 guest present today, and \$23 dollars in the Rider Down Fund. Please save your soda tabs for me.

**Guest speaker: Nancy Seder:** Good morning everyone, I am here on behalf of the new post commander Ronald "Turbo" Smith. He asked me to meet with each of the families to talk about a few things. We are asking everyone to have some patience with all the new officers while they get their bearings in their new positions. He also asks that everyone please be mindful of the chain of command, please use your chain of command to address any issues. He also asks everyone to be mindful of the lounge rules, specifically that the safety of all members and guests present is the responsibility of the bartenders and it is also the duty of all post officers to assist the bar tenders in enforcing the rules and regulations. The only authorized persons to be behind the bar are the bartenders on duty, the post commander and the finance officers. Please do not go behind the bar without the explicit permission of the bartender. If you attended Convention and received a Food Handlers Certificate, please bring a copy of it so that we have a record of it. If you missed Convention, we are trying to have a food handlers class here at the post, if you are interested, please attend.

**Road Captain:** EXCUSED. *Given by Director Edward Johnson:* If you go out riding today, please try to remember to hand out flyers for our poker run this year, it really helps us to put the work out there.

**Safety Captain:** No report given.

**Membership:** We have 3 people transfer out. We currently have 134 members. We have one person to vote in today. A motion was made by Karen Hunter-Nowak to vote in the prospective member; the motion was seconded by Vicki Skinner-Compton. No discussion was had. Motion passed.

**2<sup>nd</sup> Vice:** On June 20th we had chicken fingers and fries, we brought in \$450 in profit. On June 27th we had taco night, and we brought in \$180.29 in profit. This month's meal will be steak in a sack and taco Tuesday.

**Webmaster:** If you have any pictures you want put up on the website, send them to me and I will put them up there

**Historian:** After last month's meeting we went on the second route for the poker run. On the 10th we had our bike night at Choppers. There was a funeral escort on the 12th. Convention, installation, and our meals. We all had a blast at the Jumbo Shrimp game. We had a plaque retrieval from 394.

**Event Coordinator:** No report given.

**Quartermaster:** I still have some shirts for sale, if you don't see the size or color you want let me know, I still have some at home.

**Lady Veterans:** No report given.

**Director:****Upcoming events:**

*Upcoming events to be mailed out to the membership, please also check the 5th District calendar.*

**Old business:**

Taking over a meal for the Auxiliary: We tabled this last meeting. They would like us to take over the first Thursday of the month. John Lambert made a motion that we take over the first Thursday as a meal night for the riders, the motion was seconded by Vicki Skinner-Compton. No discussion was had. Motion passed.

Bike Night: We would like to bring our bike night back to the post, Choppers is not giving back any of the income that we generate by bringing our business there. 197 has their bike night at their post, they serve a meal, play games, hold a raffle, and we all had a great time when we went out there.

Miles and Hours: Please do not slack off on reporting your miles and hours. We are trying to break 200,000 this year. If you are at the post, then you can report that mileage and the time you are here.

50/50 raffle: The director of the post has informed me that we do have the right to hold a 50/50 on our dinner night. However, he wants us to match what Bruce is already doing. Last 50/50, Bruce brought on 20 bottles of liquor and 5 bottles were donated for a total of 25 bottles of liquor. That's about \$500 in alcohol. I suggest that we just let Bruce continue to do the 50/50 like he has been. I feel that it's too much of a hassle, and we will not be making any money from this. Vicki Skinner-Compton made a motion that we leave the 50/50 to Bruce, Ashley Lambert seconded the motion. Motion was passed without discussion.

**New business:**

The post is asking all the families to help recoup the cost of the firework from the 4th of July, our portion will come out to \$750. Vicki Skinner-Compton made a motion that we pay our portion of the fireworks; all were in favor. Motion passed without discussion.

We need volunteers to stay at each stop on the poker run route to hand out chips. Please sign up if you are interested. We need members to hand out flyers for our poker run, not just what the poker run is but asking for donations. Please everyone pitch in. We are also collecting door prizes, auction items, and liquor for our baskets. We will be having a poker run meeting after this meeting.

We can no longer use the 2nd Vice title in the riders' chapter, we need a new name for this position. Ella Jensen made a motion to rename the position to Kitchen Coordinator; the motion was seconded by Vicki Skinner-Compton. All were in favor. Motion passed.

Summit will be in Daytona this year at the end of February- 18th-22nd. Room costs are going up, so it will take more to qualify for a room. It will take volunteering in the kitchen, showing up to meetings, and supporting the poker run. Things that help the riders and make you stand out.

Usually, the post shares the profit from the pull tab machine and the poker machines in the back. Unfortunately, the pull tab machine is broken. The Post is trying to replace it, but it will cost them \$15,000 for a new machine. Until they can afford a new machine, they cannot share the profits with us any longer.

Karen and Jim's daughter is having a baby shower at the post on August 2nd from 1300 to 1600. John Lambert volunteered to cook burgers and dogs that day, if you are interested in volunteering also, please let us know.

Vicki Skinner-Compton made a motion that the meeting be adjourned, the motion was seconded by Karen Hunter-Nowak. Motion passed without discussion.

Our next meeting will be **August 2nd, 2025 @ 9am.**

POW/MIA flag retrieved by temp Sgt at Arms Vikkie Skinner-Compton.

Closing prayer offered by Gordon.

Director adjourned the meeting at 09:49:00

For God and Country.

Respectfully submitted by:

Chapter 283 Adjutant

# Ashley Lambert

