



**AMERICAN LEGION**  
**Post 176 Springfield**  
**Executive Committee Meeting Minutes**  
**February 18, 2020**



1. Call to Order, Salute, Prayer, Pledge of Allegiance
2. Roll Call: Adjutant
3. Minutes from last EXCOM meeting: Adjutant – None available
4. Presentation(s): None
5. Reports:

Voting Legionnaire Name and Title	
Dennis W. Madtes, Commander PRESENT	The consolidated Post Review is coming due in May.  The 1 <sup>st</sup> , 2 <sup>nd</sup> , and 3 <sup>rd</sup> Vice Commanders are tasked with providing their drafts in April.
Robert Eidsvoog, 1 <sup>st</sup> Vice Commander PRESENT	We are over 95% for paid up memberships. Anticipate reaching 100% by the end of the Legion year – EOM June.  The Department Spring Conference is 28 Feb – 1 Mar. The American Legion will pay for your attendance. Get in touch with me if you are interested in attending.  Whenever the bar/social quarters are open, the bartender is the acting ABC manager per Virginia law and responsible for ensuring that the Members act accordingly when on Post grounds and making the call when to cut off someone’s alcohol intake.
Marty Pfeifer, 2 <sup>d</sup> Vice Commander PRESENT	Still looking for participants for Boys State in June. Registration packages due to the Department EOM April.  Post 176 agreed to sponsor any Boy State participants from the Lorton American Legion Post 162.  The American Legion Auxiliary will handle any Girls State participants.
Paul Kaepfel, 3 <sup>d</sup> Vice Commander PRESENT	The Centennial plus one is in March. Please provide the names of anyone you’d like to recognize at the Centennial.
Carl Simchick, Post Adjutant	No Report.

PRESENT	
Jon Taylor, Finance Officer EXCUSED	No Report.
Mike Farabaugh, Judge Advocate PRESENT	We've had two meetings on reviewing the Post's Constitution and By-Laws. The next Meeting is on Wednesday, February 26. We're working on adding a section on disciplinary actions.  We've included a recommendation in the update to increase the membership of the Board of Incorporation from three to five members by adding the Past Post Commander and the First Vice Commander. The current membership is limited to the Post Commander, Finance Officer, and the Adjutant.
Janet Prall, Chaplain EXCUSED	No Report.
Bob Loach, Historian PRESENT	No Report.
Kevin Gaddis, Sergeant at Arms EXCUSED	No Report.
Ali Nikolai, Service Officer PRESENT	The Post is accepting donations for families staying at WRNMMC.  There is a donation box with a list of needed items located in the Social Quarters. It is run by the American Legion Auxiliary.
Rex Cunningham, 1yr, PRESENT	This year's President Day parade went very well. Recommend you consider attending next year.  Anyone interested in running for a post office please see me. Nominations close at the conclusion of the April General Membership Meeting.
Floyd Cline, 2yr, PRESENT Scott Logan, 3yr, PRESENT	2yr – No Report. 3yr – No Report.
Ed Amoros, Past Commander EXCUSED	No Report.
<b>Listed below are non-voting attendees</b>	

Bob Eidsvoog, General Manager PRESENT	The Department of Virginia American Legion requires Post audits, but doesn't specify a frequency. The Finance Officer support an audit. The 2 <sup>nd</sup> Vice Commander recommended every three years. The EXCOM didn't vote on the proposal at this time.  The last informal audit—internal review of the Post's books—was March 2016.
Stephanie Dabbe, American Legion Auxiliary President PRESENT	Planning on becoming more active at the General Membership Meeting and EXCOM.
Martin Pfeifer, SAL Commander PRESENT	Looking at hosting a tailgate party for the March hockey game between the Penguins and Capitals.
Craig Hendrickson, American Legion Riders Director EXCUSED	The Post Commander is the Northern District Commander for the American Legion Riders.
Theron Patrick PRESENT	No Report.

6. Closing Prayer, Salute, Adjournment

Addendum:

Upcoming Events at Post 176 unless noted

Date	Time	Event	Additional info
18-Feb-20	7:00 pm	Executive Committee	
<b>21-Feb-20</b>		<b>Middle School Essay Contest due to Department</b>	
<b>23-Feb-20</b>	<b>12:00 pm</b>	<b>17th District Training</b>	<b>Vienna Post 180</b>
<b>28-Feb-20</b>		<b>Department Oritorical Contest</b>	<b>Portsmouth</b>
<b>28 Feb - 1 Mar 20</b>		<b>Department Spring Conference</b>	<b>Portsmouth</b>
3-Mar-20	7:30 pm	General Membership Meeting	
8-Mar-20		Daylight Savings Time begins	
<b>8-11 Mar 20</b>		<b>National Washington Conference</b>	<b>Washington DC</b>
<b>12-13 Mar 20</b>		<b>Department Service Officer School</b>	
14-Mar-20	5:30 pm	Centennial + One Banquet Dinner and Dance	
<b>15-Mar-20</b>	<b>10:30 am</b>	<b>Department Convention Committee Meeting</b>	<b>Post 176</b>
<b>15-Mar-20</b>	<b>12:30 pm</b>	<b>17th District Spring Conference</b>	<b>Post 176</b>
17-Mar-20	7:00 pm	Executive Committee	
20-Mar-20	5:30 pm	St. Patrick's Dinner	
<b>6-Apr-20</b>	<b>7:00 pm</b>	<b>17th District Nomination Committee</b>	<b>Vienna Post 180</b>
7-Apr-20	7:30 pm	General Membership Meeting	
10-Apr-20	5:30 pm	American Legion Auxiliary Birthday Dinner/Recogniton	
12-Apr-20	8:00 am	Easter Brunch Buffet	
14-Apr-20	1:30 pm	Blood Drive	
<b>15-Apr-20</b>		<b>Post Data due to Department</b>	
<b>18-Apr-20</b>	<b>7:00 pm</b>	<b>17th District Past Cdr/Past Pres Dinner</b>	<b>Springfield Post 176</b>
<b>19-Apr-20</b>		<b>Four Chaplains Nomination due to Department</b>	
21-Apr-20	7:00 pm	Executive Committee	
25-Apr-20	9:00 am	2nd Chili Cook-Off Car & Motorcycle Show	
<b>26-Apr-20</b>	<b>12:00 pm</b>	<b>17th District Training</b>	<b>Vienna Post 180</b>
<b>30-Apr-20</b>		<b>Boys State Registration Fees Due To Department</b>	
<b>3-May-20</b>	<b>1:00 pm</b>	<b>Girls State Orientation</b>	<b>Fairfax Post 177</b>
5-May-20	7:30 pm	General Membership Meeting	
<b>6-May-20</b>		<b>Youth Cadet and Law Inforcement Applications Due</b>	
8-May-20	5:30 pm	Hometown Country Music Festival/Steeling the Deal	
10-May-20	10:00 am	Crusin Company Car Show	
10-May-20	8:00 am	Mothers' Day Buffet/Recognition	
<b>10-May-20</b>		<b>Citation for Meritorious Service Due to Department</b>	
<b>15-May-20</b>		<b>Top Recruiter Nominations Due to Department</b>	
<b>15-May-20</b>		<b>Children and Youth Contest Due To Department</b>	
<b>15-May-20</b>		<b>Department Service Trophy Form Due To Department</b>	
<b>15-May-20</b>		<b>Consolidated Post Reports Due to Department</b>	
<b>15-May-20</b>		<b>Post Americanism Contest Due To Department</b>	
19-May-20	7:00 pm	Executive Committee	
25-May-20	11:00 am	Memorial Day Ceremony, Joint AL and VFW, AL lead	Springfield Post 176 Banquet room
2-Jun-20	7:30 pm	General Membership Meeting	
<b>5-Jun-20</b>		<b>Annual Awards Due to Department</b>	
6-Jun-20		Springfied Days Car Show	
<b>7-Jun-20</b>	<b>12:30 pm</b>	<b>17th District Convention</b>	<b>Fairfax Post 177</b>
<b>7-Jun-20</b>	<b>4:00 pm</b>	<b>17th District Boys State Orientation</b>	<b>Fairfax Post 177/Paul VI</b>
9-Jun-20	1:30 pm	Blood Drive	
<b>14-19 Jun 20</b>		<b>Youth Cadet and Law Enforcement Program</b>	
16-Jun-20	7:00 pm	Executive Committee	
19-Jun-20	5:30 pm	Fathers Day Dinner/Recognition	
<b>21-27 Jun 20</b>		<b>Virginia Boys State</b>	
<b>28-Jun-20</b>		<b>Post Certification of Officers Form Due To Department</b>	

Color code

Green – National Event

Red – Department Event

Blue – 17<sup>th</sup> District Event

Black – Post 176 Event

All events are at Post 176 unless noted otherwise