



**AMERICAN LEGION**  
**Post 176 Springfield**  
**General Membership Meeting Agenda**  
**July 5, 2022**



1. Call to Order, Salute, Prayer, POW/MIA, Pledge of Allegiance
2. Roll Call: Adjutant
3. Commander's Comments
4. Presentation(s) (if applicable)
5. Reports
6. Unfinished Business
7. New Business
8. Closing Prayer, Salute, Adjournment

<b>Voting Legionnaire Name and Title</b>	
Kevin Gaddis, Commander <b>Present</b>	General Comments 1. The 4 <sup>th</sup> of July celebration was a success with over 170 attending, made money for the Post 2. Thank you to the volunteers 3. Thank you, Sonny for setting up room for meeting 4. Social Quarters are closed because of AC. Just like last summer leak in compressor. 3 months to get it fixed. Carl working and will talk about during his report. 5. We have a quorum 6.
Dennis Madtes, 1st Vice Commander <b>Present</b>	VA&R, Membership 1. Excellent year closed with 1538 members 2. Today we have 400 members starting the 2023-year membership 3. Have 27 names tonight 4. Read names <b>Motion</b> to accept new members in mass <b>Motion</b> carried

	<p><b>Motion</b> to accept members  <b>Motion</b> carried</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>5. Don't have the 2023 membership cards yet, hope to get them at the convention</li> <li>6. Can go online to renew, card will still say 2022</li> <li>7. Ali, Kay, and Patrick continue to do a great job</li> <li>8. Appointed as a delegate for the department of VA</li> <li>9. Nominated to the Canadian North American Legion Organization, induction will be during the National Convention</li> </ol>
<p>Randy Wheeler, 2nd Vice Commander  <b>Present</b></p>	<p>Children &amp; Youth</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Thank you to all those who helped transition into the position of 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice</li> <li>2. Working with the 2 Boy Scout troops to get their charters done</li> <li>3. Starting to work on Boy's State, 2 successful meetings with W. Springfield, looking forward to working together</li> <li>4. Will work with other schools when they open</li> <li>5. Working with the 3<sup>rd</sup> Vice on Flag Ceremony, we have a lot of flags to retire respectfully</li> </ol>
<p>Jay Byrun, 3<sup>rd</sup> Vice Commander  <b>Present</b></p>	<p>Americanism, Calendar</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Working with COC to do a job fair in early November</li> <li>2. Working on tailgates. Will reach out to family organizations. Scheduled on a first-come, first serve basis for games.</li> <li>3. Open Mike night in late July</li> <li>4. Sonny's Fish Fry on 28<sup>th</sup> August. Tickets for sale in SQ. Riders are going to help out.</li> </ol>
<p>Denise White, Post Adjutant  <b>Present</b></p>	<p>EXCOM Minutes</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Briefed EXCOM minutes</li> <li>2. Proposed budget for Service Officer so, in the event of an emergency, she doesn't have to reach out to the EXCOM first but will brief the EXCOM and GMM after. Propose \$6,000 per year, based on the \$1,200 per person limit</li> </ol> <p><b>Motion</b> to give Service Office \$6,000</p>

	<p>Discussion: What will the money go to? Does she write the check?</p> <p>Ali vets each request. The process remains the same, the Service Officer reaches out to the Finance Officer.</p> <p>The process hasn't changed, Service Officer will have the authority to make an expedited decision</p> <p><b>Motion</b> carried</p> <p><b>Motion</b> to pay for 10 EXCOM member's lodging and registration fee to go to the Department Convention</p> <p>Discussion: 10 members include EXCOM and volunteers. Motion to pay for their lodging and registration. Meals and transportation are up to the member.</p> <p>Currently 8 EXCOM members and 2 volunteers.</p> <p>Total will depend on the number of nights each individual is staying, \$130 per night. \$30 for registration per person</p> <p>2 Volunteers will pay their own way.</p> <p><b>Motion</b> carried</p> <p>The cost for the members to go based on all staying to the full length would be \$4,500.</p>
<p>Karla Pfleeger, Finance Officer,</p> <p><b>Present</b></p>	<p>Income/trends</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Still working on ways to present information, some want more detail, some want less</li> <li>2. Quite a few expenses, need to pay for HVAC repair on the second floor</li> <li>3. Coil is on order to fix upstairs at \$15,000 coming in August or September</li> <li>4. Bar dishwasher – cost just under \$4000 coming in July or August</li> <li>5. Gave the Dentz Fund balance</li> <li>6. Question asked about the balance of the line of credit</li> </ol>
<p>Martie Soper, Judge Advocate</p> <p><b>Excused</b></p>	<p>Bylaws</p>
<p>Rev. Mark Arbeen, Chaplain</p>	<p>Post-Everlasting update, sick members</p>

Present	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Provided full military honors along with the Riders</li> <li>2. Chaplain presided</li> </ol>
Scott Logan, Historian Present	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. 2021 and 2022 history is being completed and will submit at the Department Meeting</li> <li>2. The gun in front of the Post needs some work, wheels are in bad shape, would like to have some maintenance done</li> <li>3. Thanks for all your support</li> </ol>
Kay Croll, Sgt-at-Arms Excused	No Report
Ali Nikolai, Service Officer Present	Recent Veteran support provided <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Reimbursed a veteran \$1,000 for roof repair</li> <li>2. Helped a veteran pay for their gas bill</li> <li>3. Request to assist with expired license tags</li> <li>4. Working with Veterans Family Service</li> <li>5. If you know of anyone who needs business attire, one of our post veterans is donating</li> </ol>
Executive Committee at Large  Rex Cunningham, 1yr Present  Floyd Cline, 2yr Present  Joe Byrnes, 3yr Excused	1yr – Taking vacation time, the cash team has a preliminary schedule.  In process of determining how weekends will be handled. If you'd like to participate, please let Rex know.  2yr – no report
Marty Pfeifer, Past Commander Present	No Report
<b>Non-Voting Invited Attendees</b>	
Carl Simchick, General Manager	Calendar <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Manahatten completed some projects</li> <li>2. Wall pressure washed, will do again when they are done with their project</li> <li>3. Completed 2 sidewalks outside of egress doors</li> </ol>

	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>4. Ran a line for HDMI and power to put a connection behind stage</li> <li>5. Received new chairs and have 140 old chairs for free us outside. New chairs are only inside</li> <li>6. New tent used twice, Purple Heart and 4<sup>th</sup> of July picnic</li> <li>7. Have an issue with the leaky roof again - leaked in SQ</li> <li>8. Before doing too many other things, need to get roof repairs.</li> <li>9. Mike filled a lot of cracks with a compound from Colbert that stopped leaks</li> <li>10. Maybe look at using Colbert to fix the roof</li> <li>11. HVAC – last year coil for the kitchen went out at the same time as HVAC controlling 2<sup>nd</sup> floor had wiring issue</li> <li>12. According to Trademaster’s 2 sections to the coil. 25 Ton system. Biggest section has the leak. Will have to keep putting</li> <li>13. Walking refrigerator has to have freon put in every 6 months to remain cool.</li> <li>14. Do we pay a service contract to Trademaster? Quarterly, they come out to do inspections.</li> </ol>
Susan Hedrick, AL Auxiliary President	No Report
Mike Wolfe, SAL Commander	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Looking at different ways to support Legion and Legionnaires</li> <li>2. Covered cost of music in SQ</li> <li>3. 9/17 Pig Roast 1100-1600, \$20.</li> </ol>
Tom Boltik, ALR Director	<p>Upcoming Riders Events</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Thank you to the Riders and for support</li> <li>2. Post 911 Legacy Run supports kids</li> <li>3. Next month is National Legacy Ride – 5 days</li> </ol>
Theron Patrick	<p>Blood Drive</p> <p>Adjutant Briefed</p>

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|  | <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Collected 53 units at June drive</li><li>2. August 9th drive has 74 slots available</li></ol> |
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6. Unfinished Business;
  - a. Roof and HVAC Repairs – briefed by GM
    - 1) Looking for 2<sup>nd</sup> estimate for roof
    - 2) Carl will look into
  - b. Dentz Fund Committee Status Report
    - 1) Recommendations submitted
    - 2) EXCOM reviewing
7. New Business:
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