



**AMERICAN LEGION**  
**Post 176 Springfield**  
**General Membership Meeting Agenda**  
**Tuesday, April 1, 2025**



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

<b>Voting Legionnaire's Names and Positions</b>	
Kevin Gaddis, Commander	General Comments
Motions from EXCOM	<b>Resolution:</b> Marty Pfeiffer, Post 176, as 17 <sup>th</sup> District Vice Commander <b>EXCOM Endorses</b>
Mona Espinosa, 1st Vice Commander	VA&R, Membership <b>Motion</b> to accept new and transferred members
Randy Wheeler,	Children & Youth

2nd Vice Commander	
Jay Byrun, 3rd Vice Commander	Americanism, Calendar 1. Veterans Safety and Improvement Committee 2. Tom Flach - brief the Vietnam Vets 50th event
Denise White, Post Adjutant	1. CPR report <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Dates are 01 Jun thru 31 May</li> <li>b. Please continue to track and input in your volunteer hours - don't wait until the last minute</li> <li>c. Send an email to <a href="mailto:Adjutant@Post176.org">Adjutant@Post176.org</a> with hours and I'll input</li> </ul> 2. Resolution: Post 176 so a motion was made and the EXCOM supports Marthy Peiffer for 17 <sup>th</sup> District Vice Commander 3. Minutes <b>Motion</b> to accept GMM minutes as posted
Roy Burton, Finance Officer	Finance Budget Update
Martie Soper, Judge Advocate	
Rev. Mark Arbeen, Chaplain	Post-Everlasting update, sick members
Barry Williams, Historian	1. April is designated as Children and Youth Month.  This dates back to 1939, the National Legionnaire (a newspaper that ran more or less monthly from January 1935 through November 1948) announced that April had become designated as American Legion Child Welfare Month and called upon posts to report their activities throughout the nation.  Fast forward two years....to 1941, a national resolution formally designating April as Child Welfare Month.

	<p>2. "The VIRGINIA-class submarine USS IOWA (SSN-797) will be commissioned in Groton CT this coming Saturday at 8:45 (central standard time).</p> <p>IOWA the names of warships are always spelled out in capital letters) is an “attack submarine” armed with torpedoes, anti-ship missiles, and land attack missiles. This will be the fifth USS IOWA to serve in our Navy.</p> <p>Historically: The previous USS IOWA (BB-61) was the lead ship of a class of four battleships — the last such ships ever built. These ships served in WWII, the Korean War, and the Vietnam War. They were brought out of retirement for active service from 1982-1990 as part of the "600-ship Navy” built to counter the Soviet. During this period of service, they were fitted with anti-ship and land attack cruise missiles.</p> <p><i>Information provided by Mr. James Ellett (member of our post)</i></p>
<p>Royes Gernandt, Sgt-at-Arms</p>	<p>Quorum</p>
<p>JD Gibson, Service Officer</p>	<p>Recent Veteran support provided</p>
<p>Executive Committee at Large</p> <p>Jack Moar, 1yr</p> <p>Dennis Madtes, 2 yr</p> <p>Nathan Sauvageau, 3yr</p>	
<p>Marty Pfeifer, Past Commander</p>	

<p><b>Non-Voting Invited Attendees</b></p>	
<p>Charlie Mooney, General Manager</p>	

Kim Palmer, AL Auxiliary President	
Linwood Jones, SAL Commander	
Tom Flach, ALR Director	No report
Blood Drive	

6. Unfinished Business
  - a. Dennis Madtes: Nominations Committee report and Final Ballot Honorary Life Members for Post 176
  - b. Dennis Madtes and Election Committee update
7. New Business
8. Closing Prayer, Salute, Adjournment
9. Executive Session (if necessary)

Annual Board of Incorporation Meeting (if necessary)