

MINUTES OF MAY 3, 2017 AMERICAN LEGION POST 246 REGULAR MEETING

12:10 MEETING CALLED TO ORDER BY SECOND VICE COMMANDER GARY SOTO. HAND SALUTE TO FLAG. POW EMPTY CHAIR HONORED. CHAPLAIN SEAVEY GAVE OPENING PRAYER; PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE (CHANGE HAND SALUTE COVERED OR NOT). PREAMBLE TO THE CONSTITUTION OF THE AMERICAN LEGION READ BY ALL.

12:16 SECOND VICE COMMANDER GARY SOTO INTRODUCED GUEST SPEAKER FRANK KNAFELC WHO SHARED HIS UNCLE'S EXPERIENCES WITH THE 705TH TANK DESTROYER BATTALION DURING WORLD WAR II. SOME OF THEIR SAYINGS WERE "PUTTING A BIG GUN ON A MOBILE PLATFORM" AND "SHOOT AND SCOOT".

1:10 SECOND VICE COMMANDER GARY SOTO PRESENTED AMERICAN LEGION CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION AND COFFEE CUP TO SPEAKER.

1:14 APRIL MEETING MINUTES WERE READ BY ADJUTANT ROBERT LANDY, VOTED AND APPROVED.

1:20 OFFICER REPORTS: SECOND VICE COMMANDER GARY SOTO READ OFFICER NOMINATIONS FOR 2017-2018. THOSE INCLUDED COMMANDER – RANDY REID, 1ST VICE CDR- ERIC ARDELL, 2ND VICE CDR-GARY SOTO, ADJUTANT- BOB LANDY, FINANCE OFFICER- RAOUL MIRANDA, CHAPLAIN- DICK SEAVEY, JUDGE ADVOCATE- RON LOWE, SERVICE OFFICER- LEROY VARES, SGT-AT-ARMS- JOHN ARCHIMEDE, HISTORIAN- GERRY KINDAHL, EXECUTIVE BOARD- RON ROE, MICHELLE LEE, PHIL CONNOLLY, ED OTT. NO ADDITIONAL NOMINATIONS MADE.

1:21 SECOND VICE COMMANDER GARY SOTO PROMOTED MEMORIAL DAY CEREMONY AT OAK HILL PARK, 10:00 AM SPONSORED BY VIETNAM VETS DIABLO VALLEY. ALAN SCHARLACH PROMOTED MAY 27TH HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATE MILITARY SWEARING IN CEREMONY.

1:22 NEW BUSINESS: ADJUTANT BOB LANDY PASSED AROUND CAROLE ALLEN'S THANK YOU CARD AND PICTURES OF BILL'S INTERNMENT.

1:23 FINANCE OFFICER RAOUL MIRANDA GAVE APRIL FINANCIAL REPORT.

1:24 CHAPLAIN RICHARD SEAVEY MENTIONED PRAYER BREAKFAST AT CAMP PARKS. HE ALSO MENTIONED AUSA RIFLE FIRING. HE ALSO GAVE MEMBERS WELLNESS UPDATE.

1:26 CHAPLAIN RICHARD SEAVEY GAVE CLOSING PRAYER

1:27 SECOND VICE COMMANDER GARY SOTO ADJOURNED MEETING

ADJUTANT BOB LANDY