

MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 5<sup>TH</sup> 2018 AMERICAN LEGION POST 246 REGULAR MEETING

**12:10** CHAPLAIN DICK SEAVEY GAVE THE OPENING PRAYER.

HAND SALUTE TO FLAG. POW MIA EMPTY CHAIR HONORED. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE (CHANGE HAND SALUTE COVERED OR NOT).

**12:20** COMMANDER ERIC ARDELL ANNOUNCED THE SPEAKER DAN DUNN, THE DIRECTOR OF THE MUSEUM OF SAN RAMON VALLEY (RAILROAD MUSEUM) DAN GAVE A PRESENTATION OF THE BUILDING OF THE TRANSCONTINENTAL RAILROAD. HE ALSO SHOWED A PICTURE OF THE MODEL TRAIN TOWN OF DANVILLE.

**1:07** COMMANDER ERIC ARDELL PRESENTED DAN WITH A CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION AND AN AMERICAN LEGION COFFEE MUG.

**1:10** EACH MEMBER PRESENT INTRODUCED THEMSELVES.

**1:15** ADJUTANT ROBERT LANDY TOOK ROLL CALL.

**1:17** ADJUTANT ROBERT LANDY READ MINUTES FROM THE LAST MEETING. ALAN SCHARLACH MADE THE MOTION TO ACCEPT AND ERIC ARDELL SECONDED. IT WAS ADOPTED BY VOICE VOTE.

**1:20** OFFICERS REPORTS: ALAN SHARLACH REPORTED THAT BOY SCOUT TROOP 997 RECEIVED THE AMERICAN LEGION REWARD OF EXCELLENCE.

MICHELLE LEE GAVE HER REPORTS.

**1:25** COMMANDER ERIC ARDELL REPORTED ABOUT ADMIRAL GORMAN'S TRUST BEING PUT INTO A CD.

**1:26** COMMANDER ERIC ARDELL REPORTED THAT NOV 12 VETS DAY OBSERVANCE WILL BE ABOUT HUMANITARIAN OPERATIONS, AND ASKED FOR REPORTS OF SUCH ACTIONS.

**1:30** COMMANDER ERIC ARDELL ASKED IF THERE WERE ANY OTHER NOMINATIONS FOR 1<sup>ST</sup> VICE COMMANDER AND 2<sup>ND</sup> VICE COMMANDER OTHER THAN ALAN SCHARLACH FOR 1<sup>ST</sup> AND RON ROE FOR 2<sup>ND</sup>. NO OTHER NOMINATIONS. RAY LAROCHELLE MOTIONED TO ACCEPT THOSE TWO NOMINATIONS, BOB SHIPLEY SECONDED, VOICE VOTE WAS TAKEN AND DISTRICT 9 COMMANDER RANDY REID SWORE THEM IN.

**1:35** COMMANDER ERIC ARDELL PRESENTED THE FOLLOWING REWARDS: 30 YEAR PIN TO: SHERMAN ODEGARD AND THOMAS ERICKSON, AND 40 YEAR PIN TO GARY SOTO. RAOUL MIRANDA RECEIVED A TROPHY FOR HIS MANY YEARS AS FINANCE OFFICER. RANDY REID GOT A PLAQUE AND GAVEL FOR HIS SERVICE AS COMMANDER .

**1:40** THERESA WREN WAS INTRODUCED AS THE FORCE BEHIND ESTABLISHING A WOMENS AUXILIARY AT POST 246.

**1:45** COMMANDER ERIC ARDELL ANNOUNCED ROBERT LANDY AS VMB OPS COMMITTEE REPLACEMENT FOR RAY LAROCHELLE.

**1:46** MICHELLE LEE ANNOUNCED THAT IT IS GETTING LATE TO VOLUNTEER FOR EAST BAY STAND DOWN.

**1:47** COMMANDER ERIC ARDELL PROMOTED A SECOND TEAM FOR VETS SOFTBALL. THEY NEED \$4000 TO START UP. RAY LAROCHELLE MADE A MOTION THAT WE DONATE \$500 IF 5 OTHER LEGION POSTS DO THE SAME, ALAN SCHARLACH SECONDED, VOICE VOTE PASSED.

**1:49** COMMANDER ERIC ARDELL READ A LIST OF EVENTS COMING UP. THEY CAN BE VIEWED IN THE SALVO. ONLY CHANGE SO FAR IS THE DISTRICT 9 BBQ LUNCH ON THE 13<sup>TH</sup> OF OCTOBER INSTEAD OF THE 6<sup>TH</sup>.

**1:50** CHAPLAIN DICK SEAVEY ASKED FOR FUTURE MEETING SPEAKERS.

**1:51** CHAPLAIN DICK SEAVEY GAVE THE CLOSING PRAYER.

**1:54** TOAST WAS GIVEN BY ALL FOR OUR BROTHERS ART GASKINS AND BILL AQUINO WHO WE LOST THIS YEAR.

**2:00** MEETING WAS ADJOURNED BY COMMANDER ERIC ARDELL.

ADJUTANT BOB LANDY