

The American Legion  
Ellsworth Meineke Post No. 1983

Minutes of the Meeting of January 16, 2020

The regular meeting of the Ellsworth Meineke Post No. 1983 was called to order at 1930 hrs. by Commander Cindy Byrd.

Roll call of officers was made, all were present.

Guests and Prospective Members: Sgt. Rose and Officer Seroka of the Schaumburg Police Department and Brian Lewis, USMC a member who has not attended a meeting in some time.

**Minutes**

Motion to approve the Minutes from the December meeting as distributed was made seconded. Motion carried.

**Finance Officers Report** – Augie Greidanus reported on the Poppy Fund and General Fund balances. Motion to accept the Finance Officers report and held for audit was made and seconded Motion carried.

**Membership** – Sr Vice Commander reported as of 1/10 we are at 81.78%, with 175 renewed out of 214.

**Committee Reports**

**Fund Raising** – Discussion on the need for additional Fund Raisers followed the Budget presentation. We are slowly eroding our positive account balance and need activities to increase that balance.

**Sgt-at-Arms** – Les reported that 11 members were at this month's Flag rotation.

**Service Officer** – none

**Unfinished Business** – Bruce reported we will have a Recruiting Event on Sat. the 25<sup>th</sup> from 11 – 2 at the Schaumburg Township Library. A signup sheet will be available after the meeting.

**New Business**

- Budget for the fraternal year was presented by FO Augie Greidanus who answered member's questions. A motion to approve the Budget was made and seconded. Motion passed.
- Mark will be sending out letters on the presentation of 5 year pins next month.
- Todd updated Post on the status of the Posts Web site. He needs pictures preferably in landscape orientation.
- John passed out a calendar with the activities for the Posts fiscal year ending this June.
- Sgt. Rose and Officer Seroka of the Schaumburg Police Department presented the Post with a plaque thanking us for our donation to Shop-with-a-Cop. Due to our donation they were able to expand their Christmas giving to include families.

**Correspondence**

- Letter from Kenneth L. List, Chief, Community Affairs, Captain Janes A. Lovell, Federal Health Care Center, North Chicago thanking us for our donation of \$2,000.00.
- Letter from Renee Rouse, Voluntary Service Chief, Edward A. Hines Jr. VA Hospital, Hines, IL thanking us for our donation of \$2,000.00.

**The Good of the American Legion**

- On 3/28 the Chicago Wolves will host a Military Appreciation Night. More info on the event and cost at next month's meeting.

Meeting ended at 2038 hrs.

Respectfully Submitted

John Heavey, Adjutant