

Officer's Meeting November 18, 2017 American Legion Post 246

Meeting commenced 8:35 a.m.

- Minutes of October read by Adjutant Robert Landy.
- Vice Commander Eric Ardell announced that we are not responsible for Wreaths Across America but should attend December 16.
- Vice Commander Eric Ardell suggested we get a list of Vets buried in Alamo Cemetery.
- Raoul Miranda had been out of town so Vice Commander Eric Ardell reported the financials.
- Vice Commander Eric Ardell advised about the crab feed letters for handing out in person.
- Commander Randy Reid suggested raising the tickets for the crab feed by \$5.00.
- It was mentioned that Vietnam Vets charge \$50.00 and VFW don't have a crab feed.
- Chaplain Dick Seavey suggested we have more fundraisers. Vice Commander Eric Ardell said we can have more fundraisers if members would step up to volunteer.
- Commander Randy Reid suggested we have evening meetings so we could attract those who cannot come to the lunch meetings.
- Commander Randy Reid made the motion that we raise crab feed ticket price to \$50.00. Finance Officer Raoul seconded it and it passed by voice vote.
- Vice Commander Eric Ardell suggested to hold a 50/50 drawing. Jerry Lindahl made the motion to do a 50/50 drawing sold at the door and during the dinner, Finance Officer Raoul Miranda seconded and it passed by voice vote. Vice Commander Eric Ardell said we would have a simple live auction and silent auction.
- Commander Randy Reid discussed the motorized wheel chairs which Service Officer Leroy Vares said we have three. Commander Randy Reid asked if we should sell them. Vice Commander Eric Ardell said as long as we have storage for them we should keep as loaners.
- Vice Commander Eric Ardell promoted the Dec 5th Town meeting for the election of the Mayor and Vice Mayor.
- Vice Commander Eric Ardell said the next Officers meeting will be December 16th.
- Vice Commander Eric Ardell promoted the Army/Navy football game on December 9th at 12:00, and, the VFW poker tournament December 9th.
- Vice Commander Eric Ardell said we need volunteers for the Oratorical Contest on January 18th.
- Vice Commander Eric Ardell reported we gave \$100 for Navy League Pearl Harbor Dinner.
- Vice Commander Eric Ardell talked about donations we might give ie. Gas cards.
- Vice Commander Eric Ardell discussed Admiral Gorman's Trust Fund having 5% of what is left over for the American Legion.
- Finance Officer Raoul Miranda suggested we have a fundraiser with 4 or 5 wineries.
- Vice Commander Eric Ardell mentioned that the March Corn Beef and Cabbage Event will contribute funds to the cost of running the VMB.
- Vice Commander Eric Ardell brought us up to date on the Post 1000 membership transfer drive.
- Meeting was adjourned by Commander Randy Reid at 10:25 am.