

MINUTES OF MARCH 1, 2017 AMERICAN LEGION POST 246 REGULAR MEETING

12:17 MEETING CALLED TO ORDER BY REID. HAND SALUTE TO FLAG. POW EMPTY CHAIR HONORED. CHAPLAIN SEAVEY OPENING PRAYER; PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE (CHANGE HAND SALUTE COVERED OR NOT). PREAMBLE TO THE CONSTITUTION OF THE AMERICAN LEGION READ BY ALL.

12:23 VICE CDR ERIC ARDELL INTRODUCED GUEST SPEAKER RETIRED CDR DEAN LAIRD. HE OPENED WITH "GLAD TO BE HERE. GLAD TO BE ANYWHERE" THE FIRST TIME TO ADDRESS AN AMERICAN LEGION GROUP. HE SHARED EXPERIENCES FLYING WITH THE NAVY IN WORLD WAR II AND VIETNAM. HE BROUGHT HIS FRIEND WILLIE SHARP WHO DID 300 MISSIONS, WAS CAPTURED AND ESCAPED. POSSIBLE FUTURE SPEAKER.

1:37 CDR REID PRESENTED ITEMS OF APPRECIATION TO DEAN LAIRD.

1:40 INTRODUCTIONS-CDR REID AND ALL MEMBERS INTRODUCED THEMSELVES FOR THE BENEFIT OF NEW MEMBERS.

1:45 ROLL-CALL: ABSENT WERE FINANCE OFFICER RAOUL MIRANDA, HISTORIAN RON FARRELL. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, PHIL CONNELLY AND BRYAN SUNDELL.

1:49 READING OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES – APPROVED.

1:55 OFFICER REPORTS:

CDR RANDY REID ANNOUNCED ROBERT LANDY AS ADJUTANT AND JERRY LINDAHL AS ASSISTANT HISTORIAN.

MEMBERS HEALTH - CHAPLAIN RICHARD SEAVEY GAVE HEALTH UPDATE MEMBERS.

FUNERAL SERVICES – VICE CDR ERIC ARDELL ANNOUNCED FUNERAL SERVICE FOR BILL ALLEN.

2:05 OLD BUSINESS:

2017 BUDGET: VICE CDR ERIC ARDELL DISCUSSED DONATIONS AND WHERE TO POSSIBLY CUT. HE ASKED FOR IDEAS FOR RAISING FUNDS AND FOR VOLUNTEERS TO HELP FUNDRAISERS. VICE CDR ARDELL MOVED FOR MOTION TO ACCEPT BUDGET WITH MONTHLY REVIEW.

MOTION WAS MADE BY ROBERT LANDY, SECONDED AND APPROVED. ORATORICAL CONTEST - VICE CDR ARDELL ANNOUNCED THAT WINNER OF ORATORICAL CONTEST WILL ADVANCE TO NEXT STAGE.

SWEARING IN CEREMONY - VICE CDR ERIC ARDELL ANNOUNCED 27 MAY DATE HOSTED BY VFW AND AMERICAN LEGION-

OFFICER NOMINATIONS – MAY NOMINATIONS FOR JUNE ELECTIONS.
50 YEAR PIN – HARVEY KNOWLES AWARDED 50 YEAR PIN AND 60 YEAR
CERTIFICATE FROM NATIONAL.

2:10 CHAPLAIN RICHARD SEAVEY GAVE CLOSING PRAYER

2:13 CDR RANDY REID ADJOURNED MEETING

ADJUTANT BOB LANDY