

AMERICAN LEGION POST 326 GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

5 April 2022

Commander Stan Lipinski called the meeting to order at 7:10 PM. The membership saluted the flag. In attendance were 9 members, 4 member's wives and 1 guest. Included in the attendees was a new member, Dennis Nihiser.

Stan Lipinski led the Pledge of Allegiance, and all read the Preamble to the American Legion Constitution. Chaplain Emmitt Thomason gave the invocation.

Mike Jackson, Sergeant at Arms, verified that a quorum was present, as well as 5 officers. Commander Lipinski announced that Tom Harder had resigned as Finance Officer.

The Commander requested that the Adjutant read the minutes of the recent EC and membership meetings. Bob Pillmore advised the Post that the minutes of the last general meeting and the recent Executive Committee were posted on the Post website and had been available for review prior to the meeting. A motion was made by Mike Jackson to approve the minutes as posted. Following the second by Larry Hohl, the minutes were unanimously approved by those present.

Emmitt Thomason introduced the evening's speaker, Dwayne Lee from Arlington, TX. Bob Pillmore introduced a new transfer member, Dennis Nihiser, who transferred from a post in Virginia.

OFFICER & COMMITTEE REPORTS

First Vice-Commander - Mike Jackson

Mike had nothing new to report.

Chaplain – Emmitt Thomason: Rocky Eubanks wife Sue passed away. Emmitt attended the service representing the Post. Bob Pillmore announced that he had discovered that two members had passed away in October and November of 2021.

Financial Officer – Bob Pillmore (acting): Bob referenced the financial report in the February newsletter. There have been no significant changes since that report was published.

Adjutant - Bob Pillmore

• Members renewed for 2022 to date total 97 which may be our membership of record since the year has been closed for reporting purposes.

Webmaster - Bob Pillmore

 Minutes and calendar are up to date. Floyd Clark requested a list of 2021 members who had not renewed so that he could call to request their renewals. Bob will provide the list.

Mike Jackson and the membership in attendance thanked Bob Pillmore for his continuing support of the Post in multiple positions.

Commander Lipinski acknowledged Carl Becker who supports the awarding of medals to honor top JROTC participants. Carl purchases the medals and certificates. The Post has provided medals to Akins and is scheduled make awards to Lehman, Hays and Bowie HS. Commander Lipinski will attend the awards ceremonies.



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Commander Lipinski is in touch with the high schools for applicants for Boys State. The fee will be \$330 per attendee and the program will be live at UT. We have budgeted for 2 boys to participate.

The Commander spoke about the upcoming Executive Committee Meeting to be held on 3 May 2022. All members of the Post will be invited and the meeting will be held both on ZOOM and live at the Onion Creek Club to accommodate members not comfortable with ZOOM. The primary issue to be addressed is nomination of officers for the 2022-2023 year. He pointed out the criticality of electing officers for all of the key positions to assure keeping the Post charter. Mike will send out Sign-Up-Genius invitations using an updated membership list provided by Bob Pillmore.

Operation Jumpstart 2022: Requests for funding has been suspended pending the results of the Executive Committee meeting. Golf tournament planning has also been suspended.

Stan suspended the business meeting for a social time and a presentation by our speaker. Dwayne Lee spoke to the attendees on the subject, Keeping history alive, the D-Day invasion.

Following the presentation Commander Lipinski re-opened the meeting.

There being no further business, Stan asked Emmitt to lead a closing benediction. Stan then thanked everyone for participating, thanked all of the members for their service, and adjourned the meeting.

Robert Pillmore Adjutant.



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MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE

Stan Lipinski –Commander
Mike Jackson – 1st Vice Commander & Sergeant at Arms
Bob Pillmore - Adjutant
Emmitt Thomason – Chaplain
Floyd Clark
John Sires
Chuck Teague
Floyd Clark
Ed Carr
Dennis Nihiser