

AMERICAN LEGION POST 543

GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

NOVEMBER 15, 2017

Commander Mike Fegan called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

The Color Guard Advanced the Colors.

Gary Crowden Chaplain offered the opening prayer.

Commander Fegan recognized the POW/MIA Empty Chair.

Commander Fegan led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Commander Fegan presided over Roll Call of Officers. Paul Witmer Service Officer excused.

Commander Fegan introduced special guests and asked if there were any new members here for the first time to stand up and state name and what branch of service they were in. All guests were welcome by the membership.

Commander Fegan reported that two members were on Sick Call: Roy Anderson and General Joe Kinzer.

Commander Fegan introduced our guest speaker Ms. Susan Goodrich, Branch Head, Single Marine Program. Susan is responsible for single Marines at Camp Lejune, and keeping them active with things like the Marine Golf Tournament we have at Members Club. She also is responsible for getting the service members on buses to come to St. James for Thanksgiving.

Commander Fegan had the initiation of new members to the Post. Commander Fegan called the new members and presented them with American Legion pins.

Dan Bennett, Adjutant reported as of this meeting we have 168 members renewed.

Doug Pratt, Finance Officer presented the financial report. All accounts were in order.

No Service Officer report.

Election of New Board Member: A Motion was made by Acclamation seconded and approved to elect Steve Muir as new Member At Large.

Army vs Navy football game December 9<sup>th</sup> at Bella Cucina Restaurant in Southport.

Oak Island Christmas Parade December 2<sup>nd</sup> at 2:00 P.M. Meet at the BB&T Parking lot at 12:00 P.M.

Post Christmas Tree will be displayed December 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> at the St. James Community Center. If you have any items to put on the tree, or under the tree get them to Tom Bednarczyk 203-415-3750.

Rick Quashne reported that the Marine Golf Tournament was full.

Commander Fegan will be looking for volunteers next month for the Oratorical Contest.

Commander Fegan wanted to recognize Bill Morgan for a great job he did at organizing and running the Veterans Day Ceremony.

Commander Fegan wrote a letter to the District Commander about a member of our Post trying to recruit members of our Post.

Commander Fegan wanted to thank George Blair and Pom Pomeroy for completing the Post Audit.

Commander Fegan has been asked if we could provide Judges for South Brunswick High School. If interested you need to contact Carol Jolly at SB High School.

Gary Crowden, Chaplain offered closing prayer.

Commander Fegan *had closing ceremony.*

*Meeting was adjourned at 8:11 P.M.*