Kells -Grennie American Legion Post 316 Minutes for February 15, 2021 On Zoom

Meeting called to order at 7pm by Commander Carmine Vacirca. The Flags were put in place. Chaplain Bill Baumwoll read the opening prayers. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by al in attendance. The preamble was red by the Commander. Lester placed the POW/MIA Flag on the chair.

Commander Vacirca asked for the roll call all offices were in attendance.

Commander asked for the reading of the minutes from the January 18th meeting . Minutes were read and motion made by Charles Goffredo to was accept than as read and seconded by Bill Baumwoll and carried by all in attendance.

Lester asked that tonight's meeting be dedicated in memory to his friend Al who served with him in Vietnam and had just died from Covid 19.

Committee Reports.

<u>Americanism</u>: Charles said nothing to report at this time.

Boys and Girls State: Bill reported that he received an email from County Chairman Frank Saladis and was told that the program this year will be a totally virtual event. The cost will be \$125 per student to attend. The dates are June 27 – July 2, 2021. Applications must be received by April 12th.

<u>Membership</u>: John said we have 100 members paid up. Carmine brought up that Bob Mahoney was is Eggars Nursing home and has cancer and his dues were not paid yet. He asked for a motion to have the Post to pay his dues for this year. Lester made a motion to pay his dues for this year and Allen seconded it and it was carried.

<u>Service Officer</u>: Joe Toronto thanked Lester for sending him the information about the research Israel is doing on the Covid 19 and they are working on a possible cure for it using a cancer drug and is showing some good results. Joe also said the United Kingdom is working on a trial for a one -shot vaccine that will be studied over the next 13 months.

Treasury: No business will be discussed on virtual meeting.

<u>Charities</u>: Charlie said that John suggested that out monthly donation should possibly go to the Food Bank of New York. Carmine made a motion for this and was seconded by Bill Baumwoll, and carried.

<u>Old Business</u>: John said about 2 years ago he volunteered for a DNA program at the VA Hospital giving some of his blood and hair to a worldwide organization called All of Us. The reason for doing is that many people get the same disease and so are researching from generation past. John said he found out that his heritage come from southern Italy and Greece and about 20% is from the Mediterranean and North Africa.

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Joe asked if someone could drive him home from his appointment for a colonoscopy, Charlie said he would.

With no further business to be discussed the meeting ended. Closing prayers were read by the Chaplain and Taps were played and the Flag was saluted and retired for the evening.

Respectfully Submitted Post Adjutant Lester Modelowitz