

## **GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES AMERICAN LEGION POST 177 Wednesday, 9 August 2017**

**1. Call to order:** Colors presented. Pledge of Allegiance. POW/MIA Chair. Invocation. Preamble to TAL Constitution. Confirmed Quorum. Recognized VIPs.

**2. Minutes of previous meeting:** Motion was unanimously passed to hold meeting minutes until next meeting

**3. New Members:** 7 new members accepted with unanimous approval.

**4. Old Business:** Honorary Life Membership for Michael Kimlick passed unanimously

### **5. Reports and New Business:**

**5.1. Finance Officer:** Not present. Commander provided finance report.

**5.2. Adjutant:** Not present.

**5.3. First Vice:** 981 members for 2017. Estimated that 515 have renewed for 2018 so far.

**5.4. Second Vice:** Newsletter inputs due by 18 August.

**5.5. Third Vice:** Not present. There are changes coming to the off-hours menu.

**5.6 Chaplain:** Not present.

**5.7. Service Officer:** Not present. Riders are currently on the Legacy Run to Reno, NV. There was \$12,000 raised/donated from Post 177.

**5.8. Judge Advocate:** No update.

**5.9. Sergeant-at-Arms:** Lake County Honor Flight 26 August.

**5.10. Historian:**

- 4 Aug US Coast Guard established
- 7 Aug Purple Heart award established
- 6 Aug 1945 Atomic Bomb dropped on Hiroshima
- 15 Aug 1945 Japanese surrendered
- 15 Aug 1973 US involvement in Vietnam War ended

**5.11. Members-at-Large:** No report.

**5.12. Corporate Board:** Corporate Board budget was presented. Buildings & Grounds Budget was finalized. Budget was unanimously approved with 1 abstention.

**5.13. ALR:** No update.

**5.14. Auxiliary:** Still on vacation, but will be helping with desserts for the family picnic. Dinners will resume in September.

**5.15. SAL:** No update.

**5.16. Commander:** Post 176 surpassed their membership goal last year. They shared that they put together a mail merge letter and sent it out to Post 141 members. They were very successful gaining members from the letters. Our post had 80 members that didn't renew which would have put us at 110% of our membership goal.

The 3<sup>rd</sup> place float ribbon and honorable mention for the Honor Guard were presented.

**5.17. From the Floor:** Nothing new.

## **6. Announcements:**

6.1. Legionnaire's breakfast 13 August.

6.2. Family Picnic 20 August

6.3. Salus Golf Tournament 21 August

6.4. Social Quarters Luau 9 September

6.5. Auxiliary breakfast 10 September

6.6. Early Bird dinner 5 November

**7. Good of the Legion:** Information was provided about Air Compassion for Veterans that provides free air and ground transportation for injured veterans.

**8. Benediction:** completed.

**9. Adjourn:** 1949 hours.