

VFW SILVER STATE POST 3396
Minutes of Post Regular Meeting

Date Meeting Held: November 13, 2018

Location of Meeting: American Legion Post 30 Sparks, Nevada

Members Present: 15 Members

Guests present: 4

State/District Officers Present:

- None

OPENING CEREMONIES:

- Commander Aragon conducted the opening ceremonies in due form. Charise Washington delivered the opening prayer.
- Meeting declared open at 7:00p.m.

ROLL CALL OF POST OFFICERS:

Present (P) Absent (A) Excused (E)

Commander Jose Aragon	P
Sr. Vice Commander Jessie Tiffany	E
Jr. Vice Commander Jerome Washington	P
Quartermaster Jim Stewart	E
Chaplain Charise Washington	P
Trustee (1 year) Robert Snider	P
Trustee (2 year) Vincent Bell	P
Trustee (3 year) Marian Davis	E
Surgeon Frank Greenwood	E
Judge Advocate Charles Seifers	P
Adjutant David Sousa	P
Service Officer Robert Snider	P
Officer of the Day Ed Holler	P

A quorum was established and present throughout the meeting.

READING AND REFERRING OF APPLICATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP:

- Sam Knipmeyer transfer from VFW Post 12101, Felipe Gutierrez New member from TMCC Veterans Group
- Motion: Sousa, Second J. Washington - Motion approved

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MUSTERING IN OF RECRUITS:

- None to Report

READING OF MINUTES:

- Minutes will stand as posted and distributed

REPORT OF QUARTERMASTER; DISBURSEMENTS; RECEIPTS:

- See Attached Report provided by Adjutant Sousa
- The quartermaster report stands as presented, subject to audit - Motion: Robert Snider, Second by Jerome Washington, Motion Passed

READING OF BILLS:

- No Bills

REPORT OF SERVICE OFFICER:

- No Report

REPORT OF INVESTIGATING COMMITTEE:

- None to report.

BALLOTING FOR CANDIDATES:

- No Report

COMRADE OR FAMILY OF A COMRADE IN DISTRESS?

- Todd Conner effected by the Paradise fire - Sr. Commander Tiffany went to provide assistance
- Ralph Christie is at home after fallen
- Evelyn went to the hospital might get released soon
- Lantrip broke leg all good at home

REPORTS OF ALL COMMITTEES:

A. Boy Scout: Chairman Jim Stewart

- No Report

B. Membership: Chairman Jess Tiffany

- Current Membership
- Total: 205 Members - we have 31 Members are annual members.

C. Voice of Democracy and Patriot Pen (November 1)

- Jerome Washington Chairman
- Received all submissions and grading complete with Youth Awards on December 1

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- D. VFW Teacher of the Year (November 1)
- Jerome Washington Chairman
 - Received all submissions and grading complete with Youth Awards on December 1
- E. VFW Safety Awards (Firemen, Police, and Paramedics) (Jan 1 Due)
- Visiting locations in September
- F. Poppy Program Jessie Tiffany Chairman
- No dates scheduled
- G. Fundraiser: David Sousa Chairman
- 39 North Pole - December event signed up
 - Need more sponsors for the post to complete its programs
- H. Newsletter/PAO/webmaster: Chairman David Sousa
- Website update and Ads - need sponsors

REMEMBER OUR NATIONAL HOME FOR CHILDREN:

- Conducted in due form.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. Reading of Communications.
 - (1) 2018 Priority Goals for Legislative session distributed
 - (2) Recruiting training at the District 3 Training session on October 13 at 10am - Reno Elks Lodge
2. **Motion:** VFW Post 3396 support the 39 North Pole event in December with at Booth for \$270.00. Motion by Robert Snider, Second by Richard. Discussion was brought up to increase the \$270.00 to \$500.00 for the post to sponsor the event. Robert Snider Called for the Question with Richard Seconding, the Call for the Question Passed, on the Original Motion was defeated for the \$270.00.
3. **Motion:** VFW Post 3396 to sponsor the 39 North Pole event in December for \$500.00 Motion by Jerome Washington, Second by Donald Stockton Motion Passed
4. **Information:** Bataan Memorial Death March update needing more funds - with the donations that the post received it will sponsor two teams of five.
5. **Information:** VFW post 3396 will honor Wyatt Wilmoth in December with an appreciation trophy for all the volunteer work he does on behalf of the post. The cost of the award will not exceed \$150.00. The Post passed the hat in September and raised the \$150.00. The award was purchased for \$49.95 all other money will be placed in the General fund.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. **Motion:** The Post to provide resources to support the Paradise fire - Motion was provided to give a \$200.00 to the relief of the fire victims. Motion by Richard, Second by Washington. The discussion was that we partner up with several other groups to provide assistance as our Sr. Vice Commander Tiffany was

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participating in sending items and material. Jr. Vice Commander Washington discussed several other groups are providing assistance and that other groups are providing items and our partnership would benefit more. Richard discussed partnering up with Toy for tots. Donald Stockton suggested that we asked our members and families to support this endeavor. Zac from TMCC and a Member says the Students are doing toys and clothing drive for the paradise fire victims. Budget the money if needed it will be approved. **Motion Approved**

2. **Update:** VFW post 3396 will honor Wyatt Wilmoth in November with an appreciation trophy for all the volunteer work he does on behalf of the post. The cost of the award will not exceed \$150.00 Motion by Jerome Washington Second by David Sousa Motion Passed.

GOOD OF THE ORDER:

1. November 16: DAV Thanksgiving feed for homeless veterans
2. TMCC Veterans Club is setting up a booth for Homeless Veterans on Nov 16
3. Holiday Reception at the VA Dec 14 from 10-2pm VA Hospital
4. Dec 17 Ribbon Cutting Ceremony for the Northern Nevada Veterans Home at 6pm
5. VFW Post 3819 Discussed their Christmas baskets
6. Veterans Day Parade and Sparks Hometown Christmas Parade

Commander Aragon Report to Members

Welcome to our new members and Thank You to all members and families volunteering on behalf of the post.

NEXT POST MEETING:

- The next meeting of VFW Post 3396 will commence at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, December 11, 2018 at the American Legion Post 30.

CLOSING CEREMONIES:

- Conducted in due form. Charise Washington delivered the closing prayer. Meeting concluded at 8:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:
VFW POST 3396

By: _____
David Sousa
Adjutant

Minutes approved: _____