

VFW SILVER STATE POST 3396
Minutes of Post Regular Meeting

Date Meeting Held: August 14, 2018

Location of Meeting: American Legion Post 30 Sparks, Nevada

Members Present: 10 Members

Guests present:

State/District Officers Present:

- None

OPENING CEREMONIES:

- Commander Aragon conducted the opening ceremonies in due form. Jerome 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	P
Jr. Vice Commander Jerome Washington	P
Quartermaster Jim Stewart	E
Chaplain Charise Washington	E
Trustee (1 year) Robert Snider	E
Trustee (2 year) Vincent Bell	P
Trustee (3 year) Marian Davis	E
Surgeon Frank Greenwood	E
Judge Advocate Charles Seifers	A
Adjutant David Sousa	P
Service Officer Robert Snider	E
Officer of the Day Ed Holler	P

A quorum was established and present throughout the meeting.

READING AND REFERRING OF APPLICATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP:

- None

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MUSTERING IN OF RECRUITS:

- None to Report

READING OF MINUTES:

- Minutes will stand as posted

REPORT OF QUARTERMASTER; DISBURSEMENTS; RECEIPTS:

- See Attached Report provided by Quartermaster Stewart
- The quartermaster report stands as presented, subject to audit - Motion: Jess Tiffany, Second by Jerome Washington, Motion Passed

READING OF BILLS:

- No Bills

REPORT OF SERVICE OFFICER:

- Assisted several veterans

REPORT OF INVESTIGATING COMMITTEE:

- None to report.

BALLOTING FOR CANDIDATES:

- No Report

COMRADE OR FAMILY OF A COMRADE IN DISTRESS?

- Robert Snider good after surgery
- Pattie Snider is doing ok after surgery

REPORTS OF ALL COMMITTEES:

- A. Boy Scout: Chairman Jim Stewart
- Troop - Actively recruiting
 - Venture Crew - Looking for members
 - Pack - Girls allowed in Scouting
- B. Membership: Chairman Jess Tiffany
- Current Membership
 - Total: waiting for National to update roster
- C. Voice of Democracy and Patriot Pen (November 1)
- Jerome Washington Chairman

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- D. VFW Teacher of the Year (November 1)
 - Jerome Washington Chairman
- 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 Market Place - every Thursday in June
- H. VFW Post Riders: Chairman Jess Tiffany
 - The Department rider policy is out but still need clarification
- I. Newsletter/PAO/webmaster: Chairman David Sousa
 - Website update and Ads
 - Ryan Coverdell will be assisting in updating our website

REMEMBER OUR NATIONAL HOME FOR CHILDREN:

- Conducted in due form.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. Reading of Communications.
2. **Information:** National Home for Children Membership drive presentation
3. **Information:** Status of the VFW Post IRS 501(c)(19) status. The IRS has revoked our (19) due to lack of reporting since we joined the VFW group exemption. I along with Jim Stewart are working on renewing this for the post but I was notified by the IRS it could cost approximately \$600.00 in fees.
4. **Information:** Veterans Vote and membership requirements - VFW members do not represent the organization when wearing VFW insignia at political events.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. **Motion:** Purchase a VFW table at the Elks Veterans Gala for \$600.00 any member that can afford will pay \$75.00 all others will be donated by post. Motion by David Sousa, Second by Jerome Washington. Motion Passes
2. **Motion:** Veterans need assistance for housing not to exceed \$250.00 - the request came from the HUD-VASH representative. Motion by David Sousa, Second by Jerome Washington. Motion Passes

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GOOD OF THE ORDER:

1. Congressman Amedei Town Hall on August 15 from 1300-1500 at Washoe County office
2. 39 Marketplace last farmers market on Thursday, August 16 from 1600-2100
3. CVA Poker Run on August 18 - Buddy Poppy at Veterans Cemetery
4. Veterans Guest House grand re-opening on August 18 from 1300-1500
5. Veterans Day Parade and Sparks Hometown Christmas Parade
6. DAV BBQ at Sportsman's Warehouse on August 25
7. VA Welcome Home BBQ at Idlewild Park on August 25
8. Walk for Hope on September 15 at Idlewild Park in Reno.
9. Honor Flight Welcome Home - September 16 at Reno Airport
10. VA stand-down on September 21- We will provide coffee for the event at 0530-1400
11. District 3 Meeting at 10am location is VFW Post 9211
12. Elks Veterans Gala at Atlantis hotel - tables of 8 for \$600.00

Commander Aragon Report to Members

Welcome to our new members and Thank You to all members and families volunteering on behalf of the post. Also thanks to Jess Tiffany, Ed Holler, and Jerome Washington supporting the Blind Veterans event.

NEXT POST MEETING:

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

CLOSING CEREMONIES:

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

Respectfully submitted:
VFW POST 3396

By: David Sousa
David Sousa
Adjutant

Minutes approved: DAS