

VFW SILVER STATE POST 3396
Minutes of Post Regular Meeting

Date Meeting Held: January 9, 2018

Location of Meeting: American Legion Post 30 Sparks, Nevada

Members Present: 13 Members

Guests present: Nic Danna, NV Attorney General Office

State/District Officers Present:

- None

OPENING CEREMONIES:

- Commander Aragon conducted the opening ceremonies in due form. Chaplain 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 Marion Davis	P
Jr. Vice Commander Jessie Tiffany	P
Quartermaster Jim Stewart	P
Chaplain Jerome Washington	P
Trustee (1 year) John Byrne	A
Trustee (2 year) Robert Snider	P
Trustee (3 year) Brandon Larson	A
Surgeon David Sousa	P
Judge Advocate Vincent Beal	P
Adjutant David Sousa	P
Service Officer Lisa Maciel	E
Officer of the Day Lancer Maciel	A

A quorum was established and present throughout the meeting.

READING AND REFERRING OF APPLICATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP:

- None to Report

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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
- Updated Nevada Secretary of State application
- Update 503c (3) for the post
- The quartermaster report stands as presented, subject to audit - Motion: Marion Davis, Second by Jerome Washington, Motion Passed

READING OF BILLS:

- No Bills

REPORT OF SERVICE OFFICER:

- None to report

REPORT OF INVESTIGATING COMMITTEE:

- None to report.

BALLOTING FOR CANDIDATES:

- No Report

COMRADE OR FAMILY OF A COMRADE IN DISTRESS?

- Lisa Maciel doing good after surgery

REPORTS OF ALL COMMITTEES:

A. Boy Scout: Chairman Jim Stewart

- Troop - Actively recruiting
- Venture Crew - Looking for members
- Pack - Active

B. Membership: Chairman Lisa Maciel and Marian Davis

- Current Membership as of January 9, 2018
- Life 171, New 06, Reinstate 01, Continuous 15, Expiring 29, Cont. Trans 01, Non-Paying Trans. 00, Installment Life 01,
- Total: 193 Members.

C. Voice of Democracy and Patriot Pen (November 1, 2017)

- Jerome Washington Chairman

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- D. VFW Teacher of the Year (November 1, 2017)
 - Jerome Washington Chairman

- E. VFW Safety Awards (Firemen, Police, and Paramedics) (Jan 1 Due)
 - No Report

- F. Poppy Program Jessie Tiffany Chairman
 - Buddy Poppy Drive on Nov 17 & 18, 2017 - Smiths on Baring Blvd

- G. Fundraiser: David Sousa Chairman
 - Mid-Winter Conference support - Raffle

- H. VFW Post Riders: Chairman Jess Tiffany
 - No Report

- I. Newsletter/PAO/webmaster: Chairman David Sousa
 - Website update and Ads
 - Sponsorship received \$1,000.00

REMEMBER OUR NATIONAL HOME FOR CHILDREN:

- Conducted in due form.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. Reading of Communications.
 - (1) Smiths Letter of Donation intent and the restriction of Buddy Poppy at store location
 - (2) \$100.00 Smith Gift card was submitted to 2018 Mid-Winter for Raffle
2. **Information:**-Winter 2018 Committee meeting updates
 - (1) Room List: 40 rooms booked
 - (2) Conference Ads needed
 - (3) Post Home Night - COL (ret) Donald "Doc" Ballard MOH

NEW BUSINESS:

1. **Motion:** Advertising from our website host with the Post and Website sliding the 50/50 . Motion: Sousa, Second Washington Motion Passed
2. **Motion:** \$687.03 for 120 copies for Mid-Winter conference Printing Motion: Tiffany, Second Davis Motion Passed
3. **Motion:** Program Awards event to be held at O'Cleary's in Sparks. Motion: Davis, Second Washington Motion Passed

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4. **Motion:** VFW Post 3396 resign from the IRS Department of Nevada group exception and to refile as a IRS 501 c(3). Motion by Sousa, Second by Stewart Motion Passed

GOOD OF THE ORDER:

1. Mid Winter Conference on January 19-20, 2018
2. Legal Assistance January 19-20 VA Reno Hospital
3. January 19 at 10am - VA Town Hall at VA Reno Hospital
4. January 26, 2018 at 1500 at TMCC for United Veterans Legislative Council
5. January 26, 2018 Project Veteran Connect at 1400-1600 at VFW Post 9211
6. 2018 VFW NV Department Convention will take place at Nugget Resort Casino on June 6-10, 2018
7. March 7-8 Assist Training by Commander Aragon
8. Volunteer Hours for VA Hospital need to be submitted to get accounting

Commander Aragon Report to Members

Thank You to all members and families volunteering on behalf of the post. Our success at the 39 North Pole event was amazing.

NEXT POST MEETING:

- The next meeting of VFW Post 3396 will commence at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, February 13, 2018 at the American Legion Post 30.

CLOSING CEREMONIES:

- Conducted in due form. Jerome Washington delivered the closing prayer. Meeting concluded at 7:50p.m.

Respectfully submitted:
VFW POST 3396

By: _____
David Sousa
Adjutant

Minutes approved: _____