

DELAWARE VETERANS POST #1

GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

DATE: 1 Jul 2026

The meeting was called to order at 1930 hours this date. The pledge of allegiance to the flag was recited by all and honors rendered.

CEREMONIES: None

SECRETARY: The Commander asked the Secretary for a reading of the previous meeting's minutes. A motion was made by Bob Morris to waive a reading of the previous minutes as they have already been posted. Seconded by Ron Gower; motion approved. The Commander asked the Secretary for a reading of the June Executive Board minutes. The minutes were read. The floor was opened for questions. Hearing none, Cmdr. Schilling asked for a motion to accept. A motion to accept the minutes as read was made by Harvey Freville, seconded by Jerry Stauffer. Motion approved.

TREASURERS REPORT: Sean MacLaren

Sean was absent due to a work obligation. Cmdr. Schilling referred the body to the Executive Board minutes just approved by motion. There were no additional questions.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Vice Commander: John Pastor

V.Cmdr. Pastor wanted to thank Bill Frank Sr. and Chip Roop for repairing a step by the baby pool which was causing a hazard to the adults and children.

Executive board: Ed Brinkman

Ed was absent due to a work obligation. No report filed.

Finance: Bob Morris

Bob advised there are no statements on which to report at the time of this meeting. He also updated the issue involving the ATM which has continued without resolution. The matter is clerical not operational.

Home Inc.: Harvey Freville

No report.

By-laws: Joe Rodriguez

No report

Bar: Brian Thomas/Jay Henry

No report.

Chaplain: Sam Waltz

Cpln. Waltz did not have a report however Florie Henry advised membership that Betty Riordan is back home. The Commander advised Anna Lee is back in the hospital. He is waiting for an update on her condition from Roger. Please keep Betty and Anna in your prayers!

Veterans affairs: Rick Rambo

Rick introduced returning Post member Nolan Lewis. Nolan is a certified Veterans Affairs officer and has been a reliable asset to Post membership in the past. Welcome back Nolan!

Rick also updated the status of the following legislation (list attached to this report):

HB31-passed House, SB219-passed Senate, awaiting signature, HB349-in appropriations, HB162-passed House, HB63-awaiting signature, SB216-awaiting signature, SB217-awaiting signature, SB218 and 147-have yet to be introduced, HB285-awaiting signature, SB317-awaiting signature, HCR118 passed, HB405-in appropriations, HB295-awaiting signature.

Entertainment: Vince Vandenbrak

Vince stated the bus trip to the Phillies game was a tremendous success with over 40 members participating! The July 3rd party featuring the Too Tall Slim Band is ready to go, entrance is free. No food will be available so be sure to patronize the pool snack bar. All tables have been reserved however more seating will be available.

Rentals: John Descioli

John advised it is his month off so no report.

WACS: Lauren Cullumber

Lauren was not available. No report.

Kitchen: Andi Chernekoff

Andi stated the kitchen closed out the year and she is enormously proud of all the folks who volunteered. She also advised the Commander the tips collected for this half of the year are being donated back to the Post; \$1,281.00!

Pool: Bill Conaway

Bill stated the operations at the pool are going very well albeit with a few minor hiccups. He advised membership the following events are scheduled for July: July 4th picnic, July 10th the Steel Drums are back, July 16th is trivia night, July 25th is movie night, and finally July 31st is an adult only party.

Sports: Sam Minetola

Sam is under the weather and cannot make the meeting. No report.

Grounds: Bill Carpenter

No report

In-house Committee: Chip Roop

Chip was unable to attend the meeting. Cmdr. Schilling updated membership on the freezer that failed in the snack bar area. The Executive Board quickly approved funding for a replacement which was installed June 23rd. He added the repairs to the roof were also done as quickly as possible. Cmdr. Schilling wanted to remind everyone that Chip and Bill Frank work almost daily at the Post ensuring that all members have a safe and comfortable facility to enjoy.

Membership: Chair Jim Biddle presented the following names for application:**1st reads present-****ASSOCIATES**

VETERANS Terry Sher, Edward Stoume.

ABSENT John Coates, Charles McKee

2nd reads present-**ASSOCIATES**

VETERANS Jonna Jones, Brian Maloney, Jason Sperinzo, Kynise Simms, Michael VenDouern

ABSENT Amira Martin

Progressive raffle: Art Chernekoff

No report.

Honor Guard: Bill Redhefer

Bill noted the Honor Guard was presented a monetary donation from the Slemko family after the service. He also advised the Honor Guard is conducting a recruiting drive as the number of veterans available to participate in events is dwindling.

Scholarship: Mike Phillips

Mike advised there will be a DelVets night at Outback Steakhouse on Rt. 1, July 14th. A portion of the sales will go to the scholarship fund.

Baseball: Mike Buono

Cmdr. Schilling reported for Mike. He states the season is underway and the team roster should be finalized very soon. Please come out and support the baseball team.

Swim team: Stephanie Coho

Stephanie advised membership the swim team is doing very well this season! She added that the team was moved down a tier by the league however the kids are working hard. They have won two meets so far and are halfway through the season. She would also like to invite folks to support the swim team during home meets and patronize their concession stand.

Public Relations: Florie Henry

No report.

Welcoming Committee: Bill Redhefer

Bill advised first reads to meet him at the Northwest corner of the Hall for a briefing after the meeting.

Facilities management: Harvey Freville

No report.

OLD BUSINESS: None**NEW BUSINESS: None****GOOD OF THE ORDER:**

Florie Henry stated the Next golf outing has been reserved for May 24th next year at Rock Manor golf course. She added the Toys for Tots 5k is scheduled for Nov 1st.

Cmdr. Schilling advised membership challenge coins will be available for purchase from the Secretary at the Staff table after the meeting.

50/50: \$117.00 went to the winner Gary Warner! \$117.00 went to the Post.

Closing: The Commander ordered the Chaplain to recite the DelVets prayer. Taps were sounded and honors rendered.

Motion to adjourn: Motion to adjourn made by Harvey Frevillie @ 2030 hrs., seconded by John Squire. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Vince Knoll

Recording Secretary

Delaware Veterans Post #1.