

Meeting Date: 7/6/2019

Time Started: 09:58

The meeting was opened by: Cdr Dan Edwards

Officer of the Day: The members present were satisfied. The members present were 27.

Guests: The commander recognized past State Commanders Danny White, Jacob Gruber, and Travis Holden

Guest: Comrade Jack Lingelbach;

New Member (Comrade John Conner)

Opening prayer: Chaplin Torgerson.

The pledge of allegiance to the flag of the United States of America was led by Cdr Dan

Roll Call of Officers: All of the officers were present (excused: Comrades Stuart and Arnold)

Minutes posted on VFW 738 website for review. No deletions or additions. Stand as posted.

Application for membership: NONE

The Quartermaster's report read by Comrade Jake Gruber. Accepted as read.

Comrade Steve Smith gave the Community Action Report: Hours: 209; Dollars: \$2,481.00; Participants: 147; 1 funeral and 1 color guard
(Comrade Smith request volunteers to assist with getting post vehicle ready for State Fair Parade)

Chaplin Torgerson read the prayer for the National Home.

The appointed positions the commander will carry over from last year to this year; Comrade Barry request a comrade to take over as Sergeant at Arms

Standing Orders. Comrade Travis motioned to continue current standing orders to allow the Commander and Quartermaster to pay bills and donations. Second by Comrade Mike. Voted approved

Post 738 received numerous awards at the State Convention to include the All State Team Post Commander's Award. We are also an All-American Post, one of two in the state of Iowa, and the top Community Service Post in the state.

Veteran or family in distress? None

Old Business:

Air conditioning units need replaced. Voted two years ago to replace both units. Comrade Travis motioned to purchase air conditioners, second by Comrade Kevin. Voted approved

Comrade Jake requested names of volunteers for homeless stand down taking place (6-8 September)

Knoxville VFW Post is hosting a 'Rucks for Vets' event in September 2019. For \$250 we can become a Gold Sponsor. If we do, Knoxville will support a day of parking during state fair. Motioned by Comrade Travis to become a Gold Sponsor, second by Comrade George. Voted approved

State Fair: assistance is needed during the fair. Parking, set up or tear down. Any amount of time would be greatly appreciated. (Fair dates: 8-18 August)

Commander reviewed General Orders:**High Lights:**

- National convention is in Florida this year (July 20-24 2019)
- Homeless Stand Down (9/6/2019 – 9/8/2019)
- VFW Iowa Fall Pow Wow (9/27/2019-9/28/2019) at Sheraton West Des Moines
- Iowa VFW will have a booth at State Fair. Veteran's Day and parade is August 12, 2019
- 5th District Meeting is August 31, 2019 at Beaverdale Post 9127
- 2019/2020 Voice of Democracy Theme and Patriot Pin Theme is 'What Makes America Great'
- 2019 Big Ten Conference October 18-20, 2019 at Double Tree by Hilton in Omaha
- 2020 Mid-Winter Conference January 17-18 at Holiday Inn next to airport
- Green Alert Bill (bipartisan bill in IA legislation to establish a notification system for missing veterans. Similar to Amber Alert for missing children, but for missing veterans)

US Flag should be flown on July 27th for National Korean War Veterans Armistice Day

Comrade Darnell informed post that the mixer used to make pancakes is no longer working. Proposed to spend up to \$100 to replace mixer. Second by Comrade Travis. Voted approved.

FOR GOOD OF ORDER:

- Commander Dan Edwards email Daniel.Edwards.vfw738@gmail.com

New Post 738 website: vfw738.org. Businesses can post as sponsors and post their advertisement for \$200 per year on website.

Personalized license plate decals. Plates that had Purple Heart, Legion of Merit, any that had special emblem are going away. Now they will make plate with a square for a decal to be placed for that particular organization. Decals are \$20. The plate is \$25 for the personalized plate. If you already have a personalized plate, then the plate is only \$5.00.

CLOSING

Chaplin Torgerson gave the closing prayer.

Commander Dan closed the meeting at 10:56

The next meeting of the post will be August 3, 2019