



**The American Legion Post 143
Executive Committee Meeting
Tuesday, July 3, 2018**

Post Cmdr Ted Merriss opened the meeting at 5:00PM. Those attending included SVC Steve Fuller, JVC Bob Hilliard, JVC Joe Harrod, JVC Tim Bass, F/O Chuck Feaselman, Ron Knowles, Honor Guard Chair Dale Robinson, Cyber Chair Randy Purser, JA Richard Guynn, Auxiliary President Jeanette Henson, Frank Joswick and Kathy katen

BY THE COMMANDER

GUESTS: No

SICK CALL: Debra Robinson; Warren Henson

TAPS: Legionnaire Bill Johnston, USN, Vietnam Veteran (**Moment of Silent Prayer**)

ROLL CALL: It was determined enough members in good standing were present to declare a Quorum.

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order at 5:05PM

COMMANDER'S REPORT: (Cmdr Merriss)

- **LEGIONNAIRE BILL JOHNSTON**
The Cmdr spoke to Bill Johnston's wife, Marlene, and explained that the American Legion would furnish an American Flag to the family in recognition of his military service. A Moment of Silence was taken and Bill's passing should be posted on Post 143 Facebook page.
- **4TH OF JULY PARADE**
The Cmdr reviewed plans for the parade, including the Honor Guard, the JROTC details from Central and Carrollton High Schools to distribute the American flags, and details for the American Legion Post float.
- **CENTENNIAL COINS**
Cmdr Merriss reminded the committee that the Centennial Coins are \$20 each and asked how many should be ordered for members to buy. The online coins are smaller than the coins that are available to members at the Post.
- **CONSTITUTION**
The Constitution is signed and ready to submit. Copies will be emailed to members and posted on the website.
- **INSTALLATION**
- A program will be distributed at the installation ceremony. Awards will be recognized. Photographs will be taken. The Auxiliary Installation ceremony will be conducted in their meeting room separately.
- The Cmdr. mentioned that The Times-Georgian edition on June 27, 2018 included an article concerning PTSD by Erin McSwain Davis.

ADJUTANTS REPORT: Vacant (Frank Joswick)

- **Draft Minutes:** The minutes for the Jun 5, 2018 Executive Cmte meeting and the Jun 21, 2018 Combined Membership meeting will be sent out via email and uploaded to the Post website at www.gapost143.org/aboutus on or about Jul 9th.

OFFICER AND COMMITTEE CHAIR REPORTS

1. **SR. VICE/MEMBERSHIP:** Steve Fuller
SV Steve Fuller commented on the following:
Steve Fuller stated that the post membership is at 100% after authenticating the membership numbers with Department on June 29, 2018. He also said there were 237 members on the register and the 2019 post membership cards have been received.
2. **FINANCE OFFICER / FINANCE COMMITTEE CHAIR:** by Chuck Feaselman
Chuck Feaselman stated that in August the IRS statement for Post 143 must be submitted.
An audit must be completed in August after the July bank statement is received.
After installation of officers, 3 designated incoming officers will meet at the bank to complete the signature card(s) for Authorization to sign checks on the Post account.

Chuck Feaselman has requested the full amount of \$6000 from the Trink Davis Foundation.

A discussion concerning the cost of the monthly meeting meals versus donations received to cover the cost was brought up. A motion was made by Joe Harrod to Table the Discussion. It was seconded and carried.

3. JR. VICE / AMERICANISM CHAIR: by Tim Bass
911/1st Responder Ceremony at CCVMP

JV Tim Bass reported that the ceremony at CCVMP for Law Enforcement, Fire Fighters and EMC will take place on September 14, 2018 and will follow at the Ag Center where a meal will be provided

4. JR. VICE / CHILDREN & YOUTH CHAIR: by Robert Hilliard

JV Hilliard displayed the Departments 1st Place Plaque for the post Yearbook for the 3rd year in a row.

Bob also pointed out that the Post needs to find a replacement photographer.

Bob also received information from the Ag Center concerning our participation in Heritage Days this year. An upcoming meeting is being scheduled there.

5. SERVICE OFFICER/SERVICE CMTE CHAIR: Vacant

6. PUBLIC RELATIONS: Vacant (Frank Joswick)

The Post website will be updated AFTER THE July 17th meeting to include names of the new 2018-19 Post Family Officers

7. JUDGE ADVOCATE/AUDIT CHAIR: by Richard Guynn

JV Richard Guynn stated that the Constitution and Bylaws are in order.

He also recognized that the post financial audit would be coming up in August.

8. LEGISLATIVE & PROTOCOL: by Joe Harrod

The installation ceremony uniform was agreed to be blue blazer and tie. The Honor Guard will wear their uniforms.

9. BBQ CMTE CHAIR: by Joe Harrod

CMTE CHAIR Harrod stated that 1500 tickets have been printed for the upcoming BBQ in September. He feels that more methods of advertising should be exercised in order to sell more presale tickets.

10. CYBER CMTE CHAIR: Randy Purser

CMTE CHAIR Purser advised that anyone picking up packets of BBQ tickets to please make sure there are 10 in each.

11. WELCOMING CMTE CHAIR: By Joe Morgan (NO REPORT)

12. HONOR GUARD: by Dale Robinson

Dale Robinson stated that the Honor Guard is presently at 21 members and that is the optimum number he wants.

13. HISTORIAN: Vacant (Bob Hilliard)

Bob Hilliard requested permission to see the Post Scrapbook to completion although he will be leaving Post 143 in the near future.

14. CHAPLIAN: Billy Bryant (NO REPORT)

ANCILLARY REPORTS

15. SAL COMMANDER: by Cmdr George Wheelless

- The "Four Chaplain Sunday" is scheduled for Feb 10, 2019 and will be held in the AG Center Building.
- The SAL Officer Installation Ceremony will be held on July 12, 2018 with Past Cmdr Pate officiating.

16. AUXILIARY PRESIDENT REPORT:

- 2018-19 Auxiliary Officers have been elected. Will hold Ceremony on Jul 19th in the AUX meeting room.

• **TRINKA DAVIS VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR REPORT:**

4 new Volunteers and 4 volunteers requiring renewal badges went to the VA Hospital in Atlanta to process the necessary paperwork.

17. NEW BUSINESS:

Cmdr Merriss will write an article in the Carroll Daybook regarding the upcoming Jul 19, 2018 Combined Membership meeting. SVC Steve Fuller will order 75 Chicken meals, JVC Tim Bass will pick up the meals and Frank Joswick will provide the Ice

18. OTHER

Bob Hilliard brought to the committee members' that Jesse Gamble will be a delegate to National from Georgia.

19. DATES TO REMEMBER:

Jul 19 _____ Regular Meeting with 2018-19 Post Family Officer installation Ceremony

Jul 21 _____ VA town Hall Meeting at Trinka Davis VA Clinic

WERE THERE ANY OTHER REPORTS MISSED? NO

WITH NO OTHER BUSINESS TO BRING BEFORE THE BODY

Salute to the Flag and a prayer by Bob Hilliard

The Jul 3, 2018 Executive Committee meeting of Carroll Post 143, Department of Georgia was adjourned at 6:30PM

Date Approved: _____

Commander Joe Harrod

Recorder Kathy Katen