



**The American Legion Post 143
Executive Committee Meeting
Tuesday, September 3, 2019**

Post Cmdr. Joe Harrod opened the meeting at 4:59 PM. Those attending included SV Ron Knowles, JV Tim Bass, JV Sam Pyle, JV Charles Stuckey, JV Don Cowart, Judge Advocate Richard Guynn, Finance Officer Ronnie Martin, Adjutant Steve Fuller, Assistant Adjutant Kathy Katen, Service Officer Don Levans, Cyber Committee Chair Randy Purser, Public Relations Bill Hearnburg, Jr. Shooting Chair Frank Joswick, Auxiliary President Jeanette Henson, Auxiliary Vice President Wanda Maddox, Past Cmdr. Ronnie Pate, former Finance Officer Charles Feaselman, John Bassett, Allen Katen and Linda Pyle.

BY THE COMMANDER

GUESTS: No

SICK CALL: No

TAPS: *(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 5:02 PM.

COMMANDER'S REPORT: Cmdr Harrod

- CMM Meal: It was decided that 70 BBQ dinners would be ordered for the upcoming Combined Membership Meeting on September 19th.
- Dedication of the **Public Safety Memorial Park** is scheduled for Friday, September 13th at 11:00 am. The personnel (First Responders, Law Enforcement, Firemen, etc.) of the various public safety units in the Carrollton/Carroll County area will be recognized at this event. Following the ceremony, the group will also be honored with a luncheon at the Ag Center. Don Levans commented on how the monument tastefully adds to the park. The public is encouraged to attend and support our area public servants.
- Heritage Days are right around the corner! This year's dates are September 26th and 27th. All American Legion volunteers will be stationed as "aides" to direct the teachers and their groups in and around the area of the Ag Center building. On that Thursday and Friday morning the Master Gardeners will be serving breakfast at 7:30 am. to all volunteer groups, including employees from Carroll EMC who will also be joining us for the event. JV Doc Stuckey will have a signup list for the American Legion members who are planning to attend each day.
- **BBQ FUNDRAISER:** A review of the overall plan was discussed (menu, positions, procedures and ticket sales). Cmdr Joe Harrod stated that this year's advisor, Don Levans, has the 2019 **BBQ fundraiser** right on track. With the positions held for the 2018 event retained by the same members for this year's BBQ, the process is proceeding smoothly.

A more detailed conversation concerning the specific responsibilities and schedules for volunteers at the BBQ Fundraiser was conducted, and assignments were given. An inventory has been taken. Setup will be done on Thursday, September 5th at 10:00 am., and then transported from the Post Hall to the Ag Center. Any members who may not be able to assist on the day of the BBQ, could possibly help with some other area of the fundraiser (such as set up). Please approach a member of the committee and give them your name and contact information.

- **ADJUTANTS REPORT:** Steve Fuller **ABSENT**

PLEASE NOTE

- Office Hours at the post building.
First Tuesday monthly, 4-5 PM (prior to the EC meeting)
Second Thursday monthly, 6-7 PM (prior to the SAL meeting)
Third Thursday monthly, 5-6 PM (prior to the general membership meeting)
Every Wednesday afternoon, 4-5 PM
 If you need assistance from the Adjutant call 770-301-3221
 (This posting may be changing in the future, but the Post answering machine may be a valuable alternative.)

OFFICER AND COMMITTEE CHAIR REPORTS

- **SR. VICE/MEMBERSHIP:** by Ron Knowles **NO REPORT**
- **FINANCE OFFICER / FINANCE COMMITTEE CHAIR:** by Ronnie Martin **NO REPORT**
- **JR. VICE / AMERICANISM CHAIR:** by Tim Bass **NO REPORT**
- **JR. VICE / CHILDREN & YOUTH CHAIR:** by Charles Stuckey **NO REPORT**
- **JUNIOR VICE/LEGISLATIVE & PROTOCOL:** by Sam Pyle **NO REPORT**
- **PUBLIC RELATIONS:** by Bill Hearnburg **NO REPORT**
- **JR. SHOOTING SPORTS CHAIR:** by Frank Joswick **NO REPORT**
- **SERVICE OFFICER:** by Don Levans **NO REPORT**
- **SERVICE COMMITTEE CHAIR:** by Bill Maddox **NO REPORT**
- **JUDGE ADVOCATE/AUDIT CHAIR:** by Richard Guynn

Judge Advocate Richard Guynn notified the Executive Committee that he had completed an audit of the SAL (Sons of the American Legion) and the audit is in order. The appropriate letter from the SAL will be forwarded to the Adjutant.

- **HONOR GUARD:** by Ronnie Knowles **NO REPORT**
- **CYBER CMTE CHAIR:** by Randy Purser

Chairman Purser gave a detailed update on the BBQ Fundraiser ticket sales thus far. The final results of the sales and expenditures incurred should be available at the Combined Membership Meeting on September 19th. But, at this point the progress is in good shape.

- **WELCOMING CMTE CHAIR:** **NO REPORT**
- **CHAPLIAN:** by Larry Boswell **ABSENT**

Members need to report or request any appropriate needs or services for themselves or other Legion post members to the Chaplain and/or the Service Committee members

- **HISTORIAN:** by Bob Hilliard **ABSENT**

ANCILLARY REPORTS

- **SAL COMMANDER:** by Cmdr George Wheelless **ABSENT**
- **AUXILIARY PRESIDENT REPORT:** by Jeanette Henson **NO REPORT**
- **TRINKA DAVIS VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR REPORT:** by Jeanette Henson **NO REPORT**
- **UNFINISHED BUSINESS: NONE**

The donation of \$250 from Post 143 to the Heritage Days program was discussed and will be approached again at the Combined Membership Meeting on September 19th.

- **NEW BUSINESS:**

Public Relations Chairman Bill Hearnburg suggested that the Honor Guard as well as members of Post 143 consider participating in the **Carrollton Christmas Parade** this December. The exposure of the American Legion would be a positive event. More discussion will be taken up at the October Combined Membership Meeting.

Pioneer Ford is hosting **Trunk or Treat** again this year on October 29th for Halloween. Mark your calendars if you plan to donate candy to this fun event for the kids.

- **DATES TO REMEMBER**

Sept 5th _____ Set up for BBQ
Sept 6th _____ BBQ
Sept 13th _____ Dedication of Public Safety Memorial Park
Sept 19th _____ Combined membership Meeting
Sept 26th & 27th _____ Heritage Days at Ag Center

- **BUSINESS FOR THE GOOD OF THE LEGION:**

REMINDER: Service Officer Don Levans related a recent situation concerning the personal papers and correspondence of Col. John Sorbet, a WW II, Korean, and Viet Nam veteran whose family “didn’t know what to do with this stuff”. After contacting Blynne Olivieri, at the West Georgia University Library, she has come up with a solution. The Library will offer a **BUCKET FOR VETS** that will be available for former military personnel who wish to preserve their military experience in a safe space. It will be cataloged for the convenience of the individual as well as the staff at the Library. If a sufficient number of the post membership is interested in this effort; we could invite a representative from the department at the local college to speak at a Combined Membership Meeting. Please make your wishes known to Don or any of the Executive Committee.

WERE THERE ANY OTHER REPORTS MISSED? NO

WITH NO OTHER BUSINESS TO BRING BEFORE THE BODY

Salute to the Flag and a prayer by Chaplain Larry Boswell

On this day Tuesday, September 3, 2019 the Executive Committee meeting of Carroll Post 143, Department of Georgia was adjourned At 6:03 PM. (with 1 rap of the gavel by the Commander).

Date Approved: _____

Commander Joe Harrod

Recorder Kathy Katen