



**The American Legion Post 143
Executive Committee Meeting
Thursday, June 18, 2020**

Post Commander Joe Harrod opened the called meeting at 5:00 PM. Those attending included JV Tim Bass, JV Sam Pyle, JV Charles Stuckey, JV Don Cowart, Judge Advocate Richard Guynn, Service Officer Don Levans, Honor Guard Chairman Dale Robinson, Cyber Chairman Randy Purser, Jr. Shooting Sports Chairman Frank Joswick, Auxiliary President Jeanette Henson, and Assistant Adjutant Kathy Katen,

BY THE COMMANDER

GUESTS: None

SICK CALL:

TAPS:(Moment of Silent Prayer): Service Officer Don Levans

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

Purpose of this meeting is to address issues of officer elections caused by lack of meetings due to the COVID-19 virus guidelines issued by Governor Brian Kemp. Both the Department of Georgia and the 5th District directed all American Legion posts to follow the procedures included in a **Guidance Letter to address the Post officers for 2020-2021 year (copies attached)**. Following Dept guidelines, all current officers (2019-2020) and committee chairs/holders of positions have agreed to remain in those seats for the 2020-2021 term and certification of officers for 2020-2021 term have been sent to the Dept. of Ga. Subsequent to that certification of officers, any resignations or replacements will be officially addressed by the EC committee per the constitution and by-laws of post 143. The Dept. of GA and the 5th district will also follow same procedure.

Commander Harrod announced that after the certification of officers for the year 2020-2021 was sent to Dept. of Ga, the following positions would be or already have been resigned from and therefore, will be in need of replacements: Finance Officer Ronnie Martin, Senior Vice Commander Ronald Knowles, Post Commander Joe Harrod and Adjutant Steve Fuller. Steve Fuller's position as adjutant is an appointed position and will be filled by the new Commander.

At this point in the meeting, Cmdr. Harrod relinquished the remainder of the time to Nominating Committee Chairman Don Levans. (The Nominations committee agreed to assist in finding replacements for these positions).

CHAIRMAN OF THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE: Don Levans

As Chairman of the Nominating Committee, Don Levans announced that Past Commander Ronnie Pate, Cyber Chairman Randy Purser and Commander Joe Harrod have all agreed to fill the vacancies named previously. PC Pate would fill the post commander position, Chairman Purser agreed to become Senior Vice Commander and Commander Harrod will assumed the Finance Officer duties. A motion was made by Judge Advocate Richard Guynn to accept the recommendation of the Chairman Don Levans and was seconded by JV Don Cowart. A vote by the voting members (as prescribed by the post constitution) was taken with unanimous agreement to the replacement candidates. All officer changes will take place at the scheduled July meeting.

OFFICER AND COMMITTEE CHAIR REPORTS

ADJUTANTS REPORT: Steve Fuller **ABSENT**

- The **Consolidated Post Report** has been mailed.
- The current **Certification of Officers** has been submitted.

- **FINANCE OFFICER / FINANCE COMMITTEE CHAIR:** by Ronnie Martin **ABSENT**
- **SR. VICE/MEMBERSHIP:** by Ron Knowles **ABSENT**
- **JR. VICE / AMERICANISM CHAIR:** by Tim Bass **NO REPORT**
- **JUNIOR VICE/LEGISLATIVE & PROTOCOL:** by Sam Pyle **NO REPORT**
- **JR. VICE / CHILDREN & YOUTH CHAIR:** by Charles Stuckey **NO REPORT**
- **JUDGE ADVOCATE/AUDIT CHAIR:** by Richard Guynn

1. Judge Advocate Richard Guynn has completed an Annual Post Audit (2020) on June 10, 2020.with Post Finance Officer Ronnie Martin present. As the attached document states, the records systems used by the Finance Officer were reviewed, the Post Finance Records were audited, and the

post budget was reviewed to ascertain that the revenue and expenditures were being reported correctly. The audit found that the finances in each of those areas were being managed according to standard accounting procedures.

- **SERVICE OFFICER:** by Don Levans **NO REPORT**
 - **SERVICE COMMITTEE CHAIR:** by Bill Maddox **ABSENT**
 - **HONOR GUARD:** by Dale Robinson **NO REPORT**
 - **CYBER CMTE CHAIR:** by Randy Purser **NO REPORT**
 - **PUBLIC RELATIONS:** by Bill Hearnburg **ABSENT**
 - **JR. SHOOTING SPORTS CHAIR:** by Frank Joswick **NO REPORT**
 - **HISTORIAN:** **VACANT**
 - **CHAPLIAN:** by Larry Boswell **ABSENT**
1. 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. This includes visiting them when they are patients in the hospital.

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**
- **WERE THERE ANY OTHER REPORTS MISSED?** **NO REPORT**

- UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- NEW BUSINESS:

- DATES TO REMEMBER
 1. July 16th _____ Combined Membership Meeting at 7:00 PM (No meal will be served at this meeting.)

- BUSINESS FOR THE GOOD OF THE LEGION

REMINDER: Blynne Olivieri, at the West Georgia University 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.

WITH NO OTHER BUSINESS TO BRING BEFORE THE BODY

Salute to the Flag: Cmdr. Joe Harrod

On this day, Thursday June 18th, 2020 the Executive Committee meeting of Carroll Post 143, Department of Georgia was adjourned at 5:48 PM. (with 1 rap of the gavel by the SV Commander).

Date Approved: _____

Commander Joe Harrod

Recorder Kathy Katen