

Monthly Minutes
For Sidney Severns VFW Post 1351
Martinez, CA 94553
Saturday, February 18, 2017

The meeting of the Sidney Severns VFW Post 1351 was called to order on February 18, 2017 at 10:05 a.m. by Post Commander Ellison Lockett. Opening Prayer by Jason Caiado – Chaplain, and pledge of allegiance led by Ellison Lockett.

Roll of Officers was formally called by appointed Officer of the Day – Claude Nave

Ellison Lockett – Commander –Present
Trazena Jones (Kandie) – Sr. Vice Commander – Present
Art Miller – Jr. Vice Commander - Present
Claude Nave - Quartermaster – Present
Nathan Padilla – Adjutant - Excused
Carl Edwards – Asst. Adjutant – Excused
Jason Caiado – Chaplain – Present
John Platt- Judge Advocate – Absent
Stanley Rux –Surgeon - Present
Paul Steelhammer – First Year Trustee - Scout Chairman – Excused
Art Gomez – Second Year Trustee - Post Service Officer – Present
Gus Kritikos – Third Year Trustee – Present
Jorge Martinez - Sergeant of Arms - Absent
Marjorie Detiege – Website Chairman – Absent

Membership Present:

Rubin Avila – Absent
Bruce Bauer – Absent
Derek Byrne – Absent
Macario N. Cero Jr. – Absent
Richard Cheney – Present
Danny Johnny Contreras Jr – Absent
Brian Chauvin - Present
Lennie Dombach – Present
Michael Driggers – Absent
George Driscoll – Excused
Roger Edwards - Excused
Ramon Fernandez – Excused
Phil Dougherty – Present
Alex Grimes – Absent
Jose Guzman – Absent
Bill Harbin – Absent
Terrance Holmes - Absent
Dennis C Hughes – Absent
Frank Kastl – Recreation Chairman – Absent
Mike Keppel – Past Commander – Excused
John Lytle III – Absent
Frank Macan - Present

Lisa Maloney – Moved to Virginia
Jack Marino – Absent
Josh McKay - Absent
Shea E. Rooney – Absent
Stephanie Cornejo- Absent
Emmett Schumer – Absent
Bobby Siebenrock –Present
Kelly Thach – Present
Patrick Whalen - Absent
Tom Zamaria – Present
Joaquin Gomez- Absent

Sixteen members Present

New members-None.

The monthly minutes from January 21, 2017 were accepted.

Finance Report read by Art Gomez:

Beginning Bank Balance 12-31-2016: \$3,194.80 - Payments - \$2,218.42 - Deposits \$508.56 - Ending 1-31-2017 Bank Balance: \$1,484.94 - Outstanding Checks \$40.00 - Book Balance 2-31-2017: \$1,444.94. Savings account balance \$10,002.44. A motion was made by Art Miller to accept the finance report as read, and seconded by Lennie Dombach. It was voted on and passed.

Committee Reports:

Claude Nave reported membership at 85%. Need to be at 100 % by June 30, 2017.

Website report by Richard Cheney:

Richard has updated the calendar. Advise him of any dates that need to be on the calendar and he will get it updated. Richard would like to have more information especially from the District.

Ellison Lockett reported the Honor Detail has performed 27 services since June 1, 2016.

Phil Daugherty stated that there will be only one Bocce team this year.

Claude Nave reported 6 new members so far this year and most of the All State programs have been completed.

The National Home: Prayer was given by the acting Chaplain Jason Caiado.

New Business:

District meeting will be held on February 25, 2017 at the VFW hall in Martinez.

Ellison announced that nominations for Post Officer positions will be in March and April with election in April.

Art Gomez announced that he will be moving to Henderson Nevada about the middle of March.

Phil Daugherty reported that our Post Crab Feed is cancelled this year as not enough tickets were sold.

Phil also reported on the remodel of the kitchen in our Veterans Hall.

Ellison reported on the Corned Beef and Cabbage Dinner of March 4, 2017 put on by The American Legion.

Jason Caiado reported on sick and distressed members:

Jack Hafen, Terrance Holmes, George Driscoll, Ramon Fernandez, and Mike Keppel. Commander Ellison Lockett's wife, Juanita, is in the hospital in serious condition.

Let's keep them in our prayers.

Rifle detail practice after the meeting today.

Closing prayer was given by acting Chaplain Jason Caiado.

Meeting was adjourned at 10:40a.m. Next meeting will be on February 18, 2017.

Claude Nave – Post 1351 Quartermaster.