



VFW Post 7041

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VFW Post 7041 General Meeting Minutes of – 08 April, 2023

Respect to the Colors, Opening Prayer and Reading of the Charter

Call to Order	10:00 am
Opening prayer	10:04 am
Attendance: 10 Members - 1 Guest	

Roll Call of Officers - (P) present, (A) absent, (E) excused

P	Commander	Terry Moxley
P	Senior Vice Commander	Bruce Makamul
P	Junior Vice Commander	Michael Gervais
P	Adjutant	Mark Storsteen
P	Quartermaster	Eric Motier
P	Chaplain	Joe Flores
	Judge Advocate	
P	Service Officer	Art Haeussler
	Post Surgeon	
P	Officer of the Day	Ray Johnson (Acting)
E	1 st Year Trustee	Lora Wood
A	2 nd Year Trustee	Daniel Cartright
P	3 rd Year Trustee	Jonathan North

OOD checked for authorized members in attendance: **Done**

Pledge of Allegiance: **10:04 am**

Opening Prayer: **10:04 am**

Membership Applications

2 new applications were presented by Quartermaster Eric Motier. They are Joe Jezisck, Life Member, and Mark Washburn. A motion was made to accept them in the post, and seconded. The motion was voted on and carried unanimously.

Reading of the minutes:

The minutes were posted on the VFW Post 7041 Website for review.



Report of the Quartermaster: Quarterly report was presented. Income; 21,311.45, Expenses: \$15,625.55 and Balance: \$5,655.60.

Report of the Service Officer: Service Officer Art Haeussler shared topics affecting Veterans. Topics included the VFW resource page included in the VFW Post website. Several items discussed were awareness of VFW CINC claim sharks, be aware. A new bill Veterans Equal Access Canibus Bill, the Elizabeth Dole Act was also shared. VA.gov website now shows a flow chart for Toxic Exposure, that shows the process for claim. The web site is va.gov. PACT Act claim continues to be in process. Art shared that we should encourage members that may have been exposed and haven't been filed by Veterans. The VA expanded presumptive benefits for those servicing in Thailand and many more locations inclusive in the PACT act was also covered. He also shared that there is tax help for Veterans available. The IRS has plans for participants.

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Lastly Art talked a little about VFW Buddy Checks. It's okay to call and check on a VFW buddy. "Be the one" to help reduce suicide prevention. Ray Johnson shared that he had been called by a fellow personally by a Vet for a "check in" recently. Ray shared it was a good thing.

He shared the website for travel expenses is: www.access.va.org

Comrade or a Family Member in Distress.

No comrade reported as in stress for this meeting. Chaplin Flores reports that member Jerry Stevens and Steve Miller are now reported as fine. Fred La Costa in rehab for a broken arm/wrist.

Committee Reports

None

Unfinished Business

Election of officers for the upcoming year. A motion was made to accept the nominations that had been officer in April 2023's meeting. The motion was voted on and passed unanimously. The

Installation of officers for the year 2023-2024 was officiated by Bruce Mackamul. Officers are: Terry Moxley, Commander, Bruce Mackamul Senior Vice Commander, Michael Gervais Junior Vice Commander, Quartermaster, Eric Motier, Chaplain, Jose Flores, 1st Trustee, Daniel Canright, 2nd Trustee, Jonathan North, and 3rd Trustee, Lora Wood. The Adjutant Mark Storsteen verified eligibility as there is a charter in possession. Members were given and repeated an oath. The gavel was rapped, and the Officers obligation was shared and they, the officers repeated the obligation verbally as given by the Senior Vice Commander.

New Business

Terry Moxley reported that the food drive collected 207 pounds of food for donation. He offered a thank you to all for participation. He also shared he and Art have more food to include in the food drive.

Bruce Mackamul suggested asking for a contribution by the "Cootie" group as well.



A visitor Janice Jordan was introduced to the Post members. She was welcome by Commander Terry Moxley. She shared she's looking to join a different post. She was offered a welcome by the Commander.

Our National Home contribution: \$20.00

Community Activities

Our National Home Honored: \$ 20.00 was collected and given to the Quartermaster.

Good of the Order

Several items were shared. A new convection oven was recently purchased for the kitchen. All organizations to contribute to the costs.

Kitchen range hoods and cooking area cleaned personally by Eric Mo Motier. A Commercial company was not used. The task of kitchen and space clean up is complete.

Closing Prayer: Closing prayer was offered at 10:52 am

Next Regular Meeting 13 May, 2023 10:00 am

Regular Business Meeting closed at: 10:56 am.

Respectfully Submitted,

**Mark H. Storsteen
Adjutant**