



American Legion Jesse Clipper Post #430
3343 Harlem Rd., Cheektowaga, NY 14225
January 24, 2024, Minutes
(Zoom information below, for those who can't attend in person)

Call to Order	Cmdr. Patton
Salute to Colors	All
Prayer	Sgt-at Arms Civile
MIA/POW	Sgt-at-Arms Civils
Pledge of Allegiance	All
Preamble	1 VC Dr Blue
Roll Call	Sgt-at-Arms Civils – 19 present: 18 legionnaires and 1 guest
Reading of the minutes	1VC Dr Blue motioned to waive reading of minutes, 2 nd by PC Pierce, motion carried
Reports:	
Chaplain	No report
Finance	Finance Officer Young – see attached, motioned made by legionnaire Dzewitt to accept report as read, 2 nd by 1VC Dr Blue, motion carried
Membership 2023-2024	Adjutant Mclsaac – 47 Members: 21 PUFL, goal is 55 members, 80%
Housing Office	PC Pierce – 1 st planning meeting on 2/15/2024 at 1830; 9-member planning committee: Post Commander, 1VC Dr Blue, Rev. Mark Blue, Leg. Dzewitt, Terry Alford (Exe. Dir. of Michigan St. Corridor), George Scott (Pres. Of Colored Musician's Club), James Pitts, and Gail Wells, w/ PC Pierce as chair; proposed location is old YMCA at Michigan and Sycamore; motion made by to accept housing report as read and to establish the committee w/ PC as chair made by 2VC Bates, 2 nd by Finance Officer Young, motion carried
New Business:	
Holistic Health - Terri Songbird Phillips, RN	1VC Dr Blue – Health Light is an infrared light therapy system paid for through the VA's prosthetic department; non- pharmaceutical method to improve quality of rest, reduce pain, and reduce inflammation; in-home 20 minute treatment; FDA approved; 716-292-2951, 1515 Kensington Ave, Cheektowaga, NY 14215; call/text for free session; www.HealthLightllc.com

Veterans Ins. – Donovan Patterson 2VC Bates – National Income Life, update wills and estates, provide veteran’s information guide, funeral benefit plans, reach out to 2VC for contact information

Increased Post Dues Adjutant Mclsaac – dues increasing by \$5; If no increase then will only receive \$5.50 back instead of \$10.50; increase goes into effect July 1, 2024; motion made by Finance Officer Young to increase dues from \$47 to \$52 starting July 1, 2024, 2nd by 1VC Blue, motion carried

Fundraisers 2VC Bates – possibilities: meat raffle, TV raffle, candle sales

Honor/Color Guard Training 2VC Bates and 3VC Miller-Williams – working together to coordinate the training; Leg. Dr. Hughes can assist with flag folding and color guard training

Dept. Cmdr. Dinner PC Pierce – State Cmdr. in Buffalo on Friday 2/16/2024; \$35; at Bronsheidle Post 3354 Delaware Ave, Kenmore, NY 14217

Move meetings to 3rd Wednesday Cmdr. Patton – motion passed and carried to move meetings to 3rd Wednesday of every month, executive meetings on 3rd Mondays, both at 1830

Post Elected Positions PC Pierce – Article IV of By-Laws: Election and Appointment of Officers; nominations will be held at general meeting in February and March; officers can be elected as early as March if no opposition from February; Finance Officer is only officer elected for two years (all others are one year); those on nomination committee cannot run for elected office; nomination committee: Sgt-at-Arms Civils, Leg. Hampton, Leg. Howard, w/ Sgt-at-Arms Civils as chair; open positions: all VCs, Cmdr., Sgt-at-Arms;

Old Business:

County Diversity Equity & Inclusion Cmdr. Patton - tabled

Nat’l Cmdr. Visit Cmdr. Patton - tabled

Final Salute WWII Coord. Woods 3VC Miller-Williams – Held 11/27/2023 at Prince of Peace Church of God in Christ, memorable service befitting of a WWII veteran, impressive honor guard, Leg. Neufeld will add pictures to website

Erie County Meeting 1/25 Cmdr. Patton

Erie County Boys State Appt. Cmdr. Patton – Judge Advocate Davis is now County Boys State Chair; 2VC Bates is now post Boys state chair

Comments for the Good of the Post

Access to building Cmdr. Patton – three people with key to building: Cmdr., Sgt-at-Arms Civils, PC Pierce

Member Input Leg. Dr Neufeld leaving area but will still maintain website: www.JesseClipper.com

Finance Officer Young – moving to Raleigh, North Carolina but will continue her membership and Finance Officer duties with Jesse Clipper Post 430

POW/MIA Flag Sgt-at-Arms Civils

Prayer

Salute to Colors

Adjournment

Next Meeting February 21, 2024, at 1830

Leg. Hughes

All

Cmdr. Patton

For those who cannot make the meeting in person:

Alternate Zoom Meeting Link:

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/84734679244?pwd=cUhnZHYzTWV4dUVLUnI1c0ZJNUowQT09>

Meeting ID: 847 3467 9244

Passcode: 430

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