

## American Legion Jesse Clipper Post #430 1356 E. Delavan Ave, Buffalo, NY 14215 January 15, 2025, 1830 hrs. Minutes

Call to Order

**Salute to Colors** 

**Prayer** 

Pledge of Allegiance

MIA/POW

Preamble

**Roll Call** 

Reading of the minutes

CMDR Blue

Αll

Chaplain Davis

Αll

Sgt-at-Arms Prophet

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CMDR Blue – 15 Legionnaires

No minutes to read (no quorum in last

meeting)

**Honored special guests** CMDR Blue and PC Pierce – recognized law enforcement members for their courage. They presented Officers' Collins and Zeigler with a Certification of Accommodation Award for outstanding service for going above and beyond in their duties.

**Swear-in of new officers** VC Cheryl Thomas and Adjutant Hampton was called to the front and administered an oath.

## **Reports:**

**Membership** PC Pierce – 45 total members, goal is 54, 83.33%. 2 new members (John Adel and Dr. John Pryers), 1 transfer (James Jackson), and 1 pending transfer (Jacob Minifield).

**Chaplain** Chaplain Davis – Barbara Miller-Williams brother passed away, and Tony Blockmon's mom passed away in October. Extended prayers for travel graces for Leg. Bates who is out of country.

**Housing Office** PC Pierce –December meeting cancelled due to weather. 3 members present at last meeting(Lg. Dziewit, PC Pierce, and Cdr Blue). Key Question: is it necessary to form a 501C3 Corporation? Yes. We are putting together a proposal for a center to be named Corporal Jesse W. Clipper African American Veterans Center.

**Nomination Committee** CDR Blue appoint 3 members to serve on the committee to create a slate of officers for our next election. Past Sgt-at-Arms Civils, PC Pierce, and JA Davis

## **New Business:**

**Get Active** CMDR Blue – We need Chairs and Committee members for programs. Programs must be chaired by a member of the post, but a committee member does not have to be members. Brainstormed ideas calendar of events (car show, Memorial Day, 4<sup>th</sup> of July, cleaning day, flag retirement, fish fry, etc.). Let us plan and make things happen.

## **After Action Report**

**TV Raffle** VC Thomas – We sold every ticket plus received donations. Schedule made and people showed up and participated. Thanks to everyone.

**Joint Color Guard Unit** PC Pierce – Senator April Baskins requested that we, along with three other Post, provide a Joint Color Guard Unit for her swear-in ceremony. Three members from our Post participated with a week's notice.

**Honoring Heroes Act** PC Pierce – Cdr Blue sent letter in support of Congressman Kennedy introducing Honoring Heroes Act in an effort for deceased veterans to receive a marker on their grave.

**Website** PC Pierce – The Post has a website. Lg Dr. Neufeld manages the website. Please check it out at https://jesseclipper.com/

**Mission Act of 2018** designed to improve community health care for veterans outside of the VA but Veterans are not receiving the appropriate home healthcare services. Lg Dziewit express concern Veterans needing home healthcare are not getting it and individuals are not being held accountable. Lg Dziewit will report back to the Post next meeting with more information and how we can help.

Prayer Chaplain Davis

POW/MIA Flag Sgt-at-Arms Prophet

Salute to Colors All
Adjournment at 2020

Next Meeting February 19, at 1830

For those who cannot make the meeting in person:

Alternate Zoom Meeting <a href="https://us02web.zoom.us/j/4753568136">https://us02web.zoom.us/j/4753568136</a>

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