



John E. Jacobs - American Legion Post 68 – Leland, NC

Meeting Room, Blossoms Restaurant, Magnolia Greens, Leland

Meeting AGENDA for Thursday, October 15th, 2020 at 6 PM

Officers in Attendance:

John Hacker, Commander ____
2nd Vice Commander ____
Jim Zelenski, Finance Officer ____
Lou Tranzillo, Chaplain ____
Bill Smith, Sergeant at Arms ____
John Marone, Logistics Officer ____
Herb Moore, Membership ____

Dan Fortini, 1st Vice Commander ____
Dan Dodge, Adjutant ____
Lane Adrian, Service Officer ____
Brian Danielson, Historian ____
Alan Simmons, Judge Advocate ____
Richard Fry, Public Affairs ____

MEMBERS AT LARGE

Dale Todd ____
Mike Conners ____
Elliott Koppel ____

POST OPENING:

Call to Order: Post 68 **Commander, John Hacker**

Chaplain's Opening Prayer: **Chaplain, Lou Tranzillo**

POW/MIA Empty Chair Ceremony: **Sergeant at Arms, Bill Smith**

Pledge of Allegiance and Preamble: **All**

Approval of prior meeting minutes – Commander

Last meeting of John E. Jacobs Post 68 was held February 2020 the minutes of which were distributed to Post membership.

Guest Speakers: None this month

Introduction of New Members and Guests: **Membership Chair, Herb Moore**

OLD/CURRENT BUSINESS:

1. Membership Report: 1st Vice Commander, **Dan Fortini** / Adjutant **Dan Dodge**

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| Prior Month Membership: February 2020 | 141 |
| New Members: | 1 |
| Transfers in: | 66 |
| Reinstatements: | 0 |
| Transfers out: | 1 |
| Resignations: | 0 |
| Dropped: (Post Everlasting) | 2 |
| Active members: | 205 |

72 unpaid members with 65% paid up. 5 not renewing.

We are 77% towards our Department annual membership goal

We have done several Buddy Checks to see if members needed any help during crisis

2. Financial Report: Finance Officer – **Jim Zelenski**

Checking account balances as of September 30th, 2020:

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| Checkbook Balance as of 30 Sep 2020 | | \$7,087.16 |
| Projected General Fund Income 1 Oct 2020 - 30 Jun 2021 | 11,760.65 | |
| Projected Poppy Fund Income 1 Oct 2020 - 30 Jun 2021 | 1,500.00 | |
| | | \$20,347.81 |
| Projected General Fund Expenses 1 Oct 2020 - 30 Jun 2021 | -12,411.26 | |
| Projected Poppy Fund Expenses 1 Oct 2020 - 30 Jun 2021 | -2,000.00 | |
| Operating Cash - | 150.00 | |
| Minimum General Fund Balance | -4,000.00 | |
| Contingency Funds Available for Unplanned Expenses | | \$1,786.55 |

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Post 68 Status due to Corona Virus outbreak – **Commander Hacker**
 - Many events had to be cancelled including important fund-raising activities including National and Department events and activities
 - Elections cancelled due to cancellation of Department annual convention
 - Officer transition occurred & PEC meetings are being held
2. Status of Post Committees (looking for additional members) – **Commander Hacker**
 - **Americanism** **Dale Todd**
 - **Publicity / PR** **Richard Fry**
 - **Membership** **Dan Fortini**
 - **Service** **Lane Adrian**
 - **Events** **TBD**
 - **Awards** **TBD**
3. Cape Fear Voices newspaper honoring local veterans in their November edition – **Adjutant Dodge**
4. American Honor Guard – **Bob Page**
5. Wreaths Across American – **Bob Penwell**

CURRENT ACTIVITIES:

Completed events: February thru September

1. May 6th: Alex Moskowitz birthday drive-by
2. JROTC awards were presented for Jacobs Scholarship and Military Excellence presented to recipients
3. Aug 9th: Flag presentation to daughter of WWII veteran
4. Aug 14th: Drive-by salute for WWII vet Paul Phillips
5. Sep 11th: Patriots Day celebration @ Brunswick Riverwalk Park Veterans Memorial
6. Sep 11th: First Post 68 blood drive – Mike Conners
7. Sep 12th: Post 68 flag collection – Dan Fortini
8. October: BELK charity sales event tickets – Dale Todd

Upcoming Events:

1. Veterans Day Parade, Wilmington: Cancelled
2. Veterans Day: Ceremony Town of Leland Park – Details TBD
3. NC Department virtual fall conference: Oct 9 – 23
4. Pasta Dinner: February
5. Fish Fry: TBD

MISC. ITEMS:

Commanders Comments:

MEETING WRAP-UP:

Guest Speaker for November meeting: TBD

Next Officers Meeting: Nov 12th, 1pm

Next Membership Meeting: Nov 19th, 6pm

Comments from Membership.....

Closing Ceremony

Chaplain's Closing Prayer: **Chaplain**

Recovering of POW Flag: **Sergeant-at-Arms**

Meeting declared Closed: **Commander**

Meeting Adjourned at: _____

Post Meeting Items:

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