

**MEETING MINUTES  
POST 68, DEPARTMENT OF NC  
THE AMERICAN LEGION**

COMPILED BY: Eric Mens, Adjutant

DATE: September 21, 2016

APPROVED BY: Jim Zelenski, Commander

Total Attendance: 48	Time: 19:00
Officers: 3	Convened: 19:00
Members: 35*	Adjourned: 21:00
Guests: 13**	* Including Officers
	** Excluding spouses

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**REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING**

**Presentation of Colors:** K.C. White, Sergeant at Arms

**Chaplain's Prayer:** Brian Danielson, Chaplain

**MIA POW:** K.C. White, Sergeant at Arms

**Call to Order:** Jim Zelenski, Commander

**Officers Roll Call:** All present

**Pledge of Allegiance and Preamble:** All

**Introduction of New Members or Guests**

**Speaker Introduction:** Eric Mens, Adjutant

Speaker - Anita Hartsell, Senior Veterans Service Officer, Brunswick County Veterans Service Office

“Veterans Services and Assistance Provided in Brunswick County”

***NOTE:** An e-mail or hard copy of Ms. Hartsell's presentation is available from the Adjutant upon request.*

**Post 68 Business:**

- **Approval of August 17, 2016 minutes** – Minutes previously e-mailed to members. Approved.
- **Financial Report** - Greg Miller, Treasurer: August 31, 2016, General Fund Ending Balance - \$4,152.41. After booth space expenses, our participation and representation at Leland's Founders Day on September 10, 2016, netted the Post a total of \$699.20, broken down as follows: Hat Sales \$45; Poppy Sales \$143.45; 50/50 proceeds \$122 (flag fund); sale of Bill Carshaw's art \$130 (flag fund); and Spousal Support Group Baked Goods Sales \$258.75. The Commander acknowledged Post members who helped man our booths and made our participation in Founders Day a great success. Also recognized were the spouses who were at tonight's meeting and who helped on Founders Day through the sale of baked goods.
- **Membership Report** - KC White: Six new members signed up at tonight's meeting.

**Concerns and Sick Call:** None noted.

**Old Business:**

- Continue to provide DD 214's or separation papers to the Adjutant for our Post records.

- 2017 Membership Dues – Notices have been mailed. Please renew with Greg Miller and not online.
- Flag Purchase and Color Guard – Greg Miller is the lead for this effort; contact Greg if you have an interest.
- After Action Report – 2016 Leland Founders Day – See discussion under “Financial Report.”
- Update on Post 68 Shirts – Post 68 shirts are available in short or long sleeve for purchase or order. Contact our Supply Officer, John Marone.

**New Business:**

- We will be participating in the Veterans Stand Down to be held at the National Guard Armory in Wilmington on October 1, 2016 from 0800-1400. A volunteer sign-up sheet is circulating.
- We will be participating in the Leland Trunk or Treat to be held at the Leland Park on Town Hall Drive on October 29, 2016, from 1300-1800. Donations of candy can be brought to the membership meeting scheduled for October 19, 2016. A volunteer sign-up sheet is circulating.
- Further discussion needed on Post participation in Leland’s Christmas Parade scheduled for December 10, 2016.
- We will have a table set up at the Veterans’ Day Breakfast, November 11, 2016, 8:30-10:30 AM, Leland Cultural Arts Center. We will need volunteers to man the Post recruitment table. The North Brunswick Chamber of Commerce sponsors the event. Breakfast is free for veterans and one significant other. To be placed on the attendance list, you must call (910) 383-0553 and provide your name and Service Branch.
- The Commander briefed the members on the purchase of a sturdy canopy that the Post could use for events such as Founders Day (one member’s canopy was inadvertently broken during take-down after the event). After conducting market research, the lowest cost, best value would be a canopy for \$491. The proposal to purchase was approved by the members present.

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**Closing Formalities**

**Meeting Adjourned:** 21:00      Minutes Compiled by: *Eric Mens*, Adjutant