

AMVETS Tallahassee Post 1776

Meeting Minutes from May 5, 2022

Dinner Meeting held at China Buffet at Capital Circle and Miccosukee Rd

Meeting called to order by Commander Lightfoot at 1845 hours.

Colors posted and pledge of allegiance by Judge Advocate Henry Lowery.

Invocation by Chaplain Eric Smith.

Preamble of AMVETS by all attending

Roll Call:

Commander: Present

Provost: Absent

Judge Advocate: Present

Chaplain: Absent

1st Vice: Present

2nd Vice Present

Finance Officer: Present

Adjutant: Present

Motion to approve minutes from April Meeting, Motion to approve by Ray House, 2nd by James ?, motion carried.

Finance Report:

Paul Rogerson reported that we have \$24,884.00 total in the Bank; \$9737.00 in checking and \$15,143.93 in Savings. Paul; also commented on the confusion on the dollar amount from the Golf tournament with a final total of \$7591.48 final net profit and that the new red shirts were ready. Motion was made to approve report by Ray House, 2nd by James...., motion carried.

Golf Tournament:

Tournament Chairperson Tony Minichiello gave a report on this year's tournament results and the reasons for the confusion at the end of that event. The response from the participants was outstandingly positive and the few glitches were such that they can easily be fixed next year. Tony stepped down from being the Chairperson for 2023 but agreed to assist the new Chairperson (Commander Lightfoot stepped up to become Chair of the Golf Tournament), as did Ray House and John Folsom. Motion to approve by David Wilson, 2nd by Tom Carney. Motion passed.

Commander's Report: Commander Lightfoot presented the printed copies of the Veteran Services Resource Guide which he then distributed to the members. Further discussion was brought up for donations to the Ukrainian Republic in its conflict with

Russia. It was decided that individual donations through various avenues would be a better way to contribute.

The membership then voted to approve donations to various VSO's and the new Officers were sworn in. Motion to approve by Eric and, 2nd, by Bob.

Good and Welfare:

Tom Carney gave a report on the condition of John Schmidt and that he seemed to be in better shape and was coherent. (Update to Tom's Report, Chief Schmidt succumbed to his illness on May 8th and he had a beautiful Church Service at his Presbyterian Church on Meridian Road followed with full honors at the Tallahassee National Cemetery.)

John Folsom gave a brief presentation on David Wilson's election to the "Wall of Fame".

The new officers were sworn in by John Folsom, Commander Emeritus. See photo:



At 2030 hours we adjourned with a Flag salute by Henry and prayer from Chaplain Smith.

Present: David Wilson, Henry Lowery, Tom Carney, Buddy Perrimin, John Folsom, Ray House, Gordon Lightfoot, Paul Rogerson, Fred Ingley, and Tony Minichiello, Bob Davie, Charles LeCroy, Eric Smith and James "Jamie" Meeks.

Excused: Ray Bogan