

## **American Legion Post 133**

# Minutes of May 18, 2021 Meeting

Commander Sladyk opened the meeting with the proper ceremony. All officers were present or accounted for.

Introduction of Guests: Dan Navy 61-63 new member and Joe Haney transfer from Post 102

Minutes: Minutes of the September meeting will be available at the June meeting

Finance Report: Finance report on file, anyone who would like a copy please see the Commander or Adjutant.

Deceased members: None

Sick Call: Dave Papp, Brian Lamkins, Mark Stanulis and John Blondin.

**Prospective new members:** The Noddon brothers from State Police Youth Week 2019 are now in the Marines and have joined our our Post.

Membership: Goal for 2021 = 195, Actual 2021 = 205.

Roger has Legion Lapel Pins for any new members that have never received one.

Service Officers Report. Since our September meeting we have has 5 clients for SS&M Fund and given out \$750 in gift card to the Town Food Bank and \$350 to clients.

#### **Committee Reports:**

Legion Baseball. Jim Anastasio. Legion Baseball for 2021 will start after High School, SW has 4 teams, Last year SW had Legion Baseball

Boy Scouts. Randy Olson. The Boys Scout troops will be putting out the flags at the cemeteries for Memorial Day.

Girl Scouts. Tom Field. Tom has asked to Girl Scouts to help with the cemetery Flags.

<u>Wreaths Across America. Art Sladyk.</u> The 2021 Dates are December 13<sup>th</sup> at the State Capitol if we are allowed and December 18<sup>th</sup> in South Windsor. Art has asked both Stop & Shop and Geissler's about fundraisers at there sites that is pending.

Oratorical. Roger Anderson/ Mark Stanulis. Post, District, State and National Contest canceled for 2021.

**Boys State and Girls State. Roger Anderson/Pete Bortolan**, the 2021 Boys State program will be virtual, running from June 21<sup>st</sup> to June 26<sup>th</sup>, hope to have graduation outside at the State Capitol on the 26<sup>th</sup>, the program is free Peter has one Boy. Girls State is also a virtual program at \$100 per Girl, Peter says SW has one girls.

State Police Youth Week. Tom Field, Still working to see if this will happen for 2021.

Blue Star Families. On Going, on hold for now, if you know of a family with a serving member, please let Art know.

Graduation cords. The High School took care of the cords this year; we are working with them to do the same for 2021.

<u>Visits With Veterans. Skip Fisher. Sid Rabin</u> Skip has been contacted by Buckland Court, Brookdale and The Village at South Windsor Farms to start up one on one visits again. March 2020 was our last visits to the homes; we gave out 135 lap quilts in 2020. We did drive by Birthday parties and car show at the homes during the pandemic.

<u>Car Show. Leigh Lovering.</u> The dates for the 2021 car show will be Sunday September 12<sup>th</sup> with a rain date of Sunday September 19<sup>th</sup>. Leigh will not be soliciting Corporate or trophy sponsors as we have them from last year. Leigh needs people to help to solicit and pick up gift card for the Chinese Raft. Adds are being put in all the car magazines.

#### - Unfinished Business.

- 1. Check out the post's website. <u>www.swlegion133.org</u>. All of our forms and calendar of events are on the website.
- 2. We need an active PR person, please contact Ken or Art
- Correspondence:

- The Department Bulletin is on our Web Site.

- Letter of intent from Joe Haney to run for the high office of Department Historian for the 2021-2022 year, and is asking Post 133 to indorse him for this office.

- Letter of intent from Rich Linnon to run for the high office of Department Sr. Vice Commander for the 2021 - 22 year.

- Letter of intent from Tom Moore to run for the high office of Dept. Sr. Vice Commander for the 2021 - 2022 year.

- Letter of intent from Dana Murphy to run for the high office of Department Chaplain for the 2021 - 2022 year.

- Letter of intent from Tom Honyotski to run for the high office of Department Chaplain for the 2021 - 2022 year.

-Letter of intent from Robert Murray to run for the high office of Alternate National Executive Committeeman.

#### - New Business.

1. Donation for Sheila Strong for the Relay for Life, a motion made and seconded to donate \$400, motion passed.

2. Vote to indorse Joe Haney for the high office of Department Historian for the 2021-2022 year, a motion was made and seconded to send a letter to Department to indorse Joe Haney for Department Historian for 2021 - 2022.

3. Nomination and election of Officers for the 2021-2022 year.

The Nominations are as follow:

Commander – Art Sladyk Senior Vice Commander – Leigh Lovering Jr Vice Commander – Bill Dopirak Adjutant - Ken Lewis Asst Adjutant - Joe Haney Historian – Skip Fisher Finance Officer – Phil Medeiros Asst. Finance Officer – Roger Anderson Service Officer – Ken Lewis Asst. Service Officer – Bruce Botti Chaplain – Leman Mann Asst. Chaplain – Frank Saimo Judge advocate – Roger Anderson Sgt. At Arms – Sid Rabin Asst. Sgt at Arms – Gene Botteron

With no other nominations we have a motion and second to close nominations.

The Commander asked for the Adjutant to cast one ballot for the election of the post officers for the 2021 - 2022 year, all officers will take their office on June first 2021.

### -Good of the Legion.

We need help to get and keep members.

We will be restarting our monthly breakfasts at Emerald's, first breakfast Tuesday June 1, 2021 8:30am And every first Tuesday going forward.

Roger has orders Post 133 ball caps, \$20 each let him know if you would like one.

Roger reported that the Roger, Donna and participated in the First District Kids Walk, the District raised \$2000, Roger, Donna, Ken and Laurie gave \$100 the pot matched for a total of \$200. The Department raised \$14,000.

- Next Post meeting will be Tuesday June 15th 2021, South Windsor Community Center main room.

- Next District meeting, Wednesday May 26th, 6:30pm, at Post 80 Enfield, this will be the Memorial Ceremony at 6:30pm with the meeting to follow, dress is Blue and Grays.

The Meeting was adjourned with the proper ceremony by Commander Art Sladyk.

Report Submitted: Ken Lewis Adjutant