

Minutes of the September 14 DEC meeting 2024

Department Executive Committee Meeting to be held on September 14, 2024 Post 221 Bedford, MA.

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER BY DEPARTMENT COMMANDER Nelson Blake Time: 1:00 PM

1. **SALUTE TO THE COLORS**-ALL
2. **INVOCATION**- PDC Kenneth Starks
3. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**-ALL
4. **POW/MIA EMPTY CHAIR CEREMONY** William Chisholm
5. **PREAMBLE TO CONSTITUTION OF THE AMERICAN LEGION**-ALL
6. **ROLL CALL BY DEPARTMENT** Lisa McPhee Quorum of Department of Massachusetts

Present: CMDR Blake; DSVC Conner; DVC Howe; DVC Jerdan ; DVC Pajak; ADJ McPhee; TRS Lashus; HIST Keil; DECW Standish; NEC Pajak; ALT NEC Lenotte; PDC Davis; PNC Comer; PNC Morin; JA Brault; AJA Brehio; AJA Davis; SGT Desrosiers; Asst. SGT. Lacoste; Doud; Levesque; Photo Borges; D1C Lefebvre; D3C Lacoste; D4C Doud; D5C Desrosiers; D6C Milot; D10C Montelo; AD3C Horvath ; AD4C Galant; AD8C Witman; AD10C Lemieux; PDC Avis; Dias; Chisholm; Connors, MacDonald; McKittrick; Nay; Starks

Excused: CHAP Salois; ASST CHAP Hamel; Asst. Sgt. Hallene; D7C Scott; D8C Manning; D9C Mangels; AD1C At Pierre; AD5C McMath; AD6C Lewis; AD7C Tuitt; AD9C Souza

Department Adjutant McPhee **Commander you have a quorum**

7. **ACCEPTANCE OF THE MINUTES OF the DEPARTMENT EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE on June 6, 2024** Best Western Royal Plaza Hotel
Motion made by DVC Pajak and 2nd by NEC Pajak
8. **DEPARTMENT TREASURER'S REPORT** Milton Lashus
Motion to accept report unit audited by PNC Morin and 2nd by DVC Pajak
9. **DEPARTMENT MEMBERSHIP REPORT DSV Scott Conner**
Motion made by PNC Comer and 2nd by D5C Desrosiers
10. **OTHER COMMITTEE REPORTS**
 - A. Youth Cadet Law Enforcement – JA Brault – Motion to accept made by PNEC Davis and 2nd by D5C Desrosiers
 - B. Training PDC Davis – Motion to accept made by ANEC Lenotte and 2nd by PNEC Davis
 - C. Boys State PNVC Avis – Motion to accept by Avis and 2nd by PDC Davis
 - D. Americanism Director Avis – Motion to accept by NEC Pajak and 2nd by PNC Comer
 - E. Fast Pitch Softball NEC Pajak – Motion to accept made by NEC Pajak and 2nd by PNC Comer
 - F. Marketing PNEC Davis – Motion to accept made by PNC Morin and 2nd by PDC Davis
 - G. Americanism DVC Jerdan – Motion to accept made by NEC Pajak and 2nd by PDC Davis
 - H. Women's Veterans DECW Standish – NEC Pajak and 2nd by PDC Davis
 - I. POW/MIA PNEC Chisholm – Motion to accept made by PNC Morin and 2nd by DVC Conner
 - J. Finance PNVC MacDonald – Motion to accept made by PNC Morin and 2nd by DVC Pajak
 - K. Employment & Veterans Preference – Motion to accept by DVC Connors and 2nd by DVC Howe
 - L. Baseball Paster – Motion made to accept by D6C Milot and 2nd by PNC Comer
 - M. Children & Youth DVC Pajak – Motion to accept and 2nd by PNC Morin and 2nd by DH Keil

11. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

12. NEW BUSINESS

A. **CORRESPONDENCE**-Request from Post 397 Solicit for NE Regional American Legion Baseball
Motion to accept made by PNC Morin and 2nd by DVC Pajak

B. MOTIONS

1. Technical Motion Adjutant can amend minutes but not the content of the minutes.

Motion made by PNC Morin and 2nd by DVC Pajak

2. Grace Conner hired as the new Account for the Department of MA Legion

Motion made by PNC Morin and 2nd by many

C. COMMANDERS APPOINTMENTS/RECOMMENDATIONS

1. Kristy Coburn Asst. Chaplain.

2. Anthony Dias POW/MIA Chairman

3. Kenneth Starks POW/MIA Vice Chairman

4. Stephen Souza Finance Committee

Motion made to accept the Commanders Appointments – PNC Morin and 2nd by many

13. GOOD OF THE LEGION

1. SAL Child Welfare donation of

2. Post 65 Old Dorchester donation to Department and Boston Schools

3. Gift from the Department to William Chisholm

4. Presentation of the Past Department Commanders Davis ring.

5. NEC room named after PNC Comer in National

6. Flay presented to OC for Scouting

14. NO FURTHER BUSINESS – MOTION TO ADJOURN by PNC Morin and 2nd by many

15. CLOSING PRAYER – PDC Starks

16. SALUTE THE COLORS – Sgt. Desrosiers

End Time: 2:33 PM

NEXT DEPARTMENT EXECUTIVE MEETING

NOVEMBER 16, 2024

NONANTUM POST 440

295 CALIFORNIA STREET

NEWTON MA

MEMBERSHIP 10:00 AM

DEC TO FOLLOW

DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS BANQUET

SOCIAL 3:00 PM

OPENING AT 3:45 PM

BUFFET 4:15 PM