

Veterans of Foreign Wars Ship 1774 Meeting Minutes  
Thursday, 8 July 2021

The meeting was called to order at 1800 hrs by Ship's Captain Jack Porath to conduct any and all business to come before the Ship. The meeting consisted of:

- Opening Ceremonies that included the reading of Special Dates of Remembrance for this month.
- Roll call of officers was held; total attendance of officers and shipmates was five.
- There was not a past Commander nor District 1 representative present at the meeting.
- All new and transfer applications were read and approved for processing.
- The Minutes of the last meeting, previously distributed, are without correction. Accordingly, the minutes stand as published.
- Paymaster report was provided subject to audit and questions were answered.
- The Service Officer routinely assists veterans, whether it be on the phone or in person.

Committee Reports:

- **House** (Captain). The details of events presented at the House meetings are separately published and posted on the bulletin-board and website for all to see. A discussion item was the installation of the sump pump in the lower small meeting room. After discussion, it was recommended the project be initiated.
  - **Membership**. We achieved 100% for the 200-2021 Year; congratulations to all who renewed and thank you for those that recruited others. Members are always strongly encouraged to join **Life Membership. This is strongly encouraged because it is very cost effective and it ensures continuous membership.**
  - **Buddy Poppy** (Captain) – We will attempt our next distribution date to be in the month of November. We were going to do it this month but due to Covid-19 conditions we deferred. The locations will be determined based on participation.
  - **Youth Development** (Scouting, JROTC, PP, VOD, etc.). No update.
  - **Citizenship/Community Service** (Law Enforcement, Firefighter, EMT, Lifeguards, Teacher, Community Events) (Captain). For the sacrifices and extreme high-alert of our police officers, keep them in your prayers. All of the award nomination forms are on the website.
  - **National Home for Children** (Captain). Life Membership (\$50.00) helps the children. Current members and those who are wanting or selected to join need not be members of the VFW to be awarded a membership. Know anyone who is worthy? Notify the Captain.
  - **United Veterans Council**. Monthly meeting of the United Veterans Council, to which anyone can attend, are held at 0930 for the dates as announced. See website: [www.sduvc.org](http://www.sduvc.org) for the meeting minutes and other information.
- All prayed to remember the National Home for Children.

UNFINISHED/OLD BUSINESS:

- The Poker tournament announced for 25 Sep is cancelled.
- We did not have anyone sign up for the traveling pool league.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Because of 100% membership and decisions by the National Commander, our Post was awarded All American status for the 2020-2021 year. All members can purchase an All American cap if desired.

GOOD OF THE ORDER:

- When you change your address or email account, let us know.

CLOSING ceremony was held and the meeting adjourned at 1822 hours.

/s/ Signed 9 July 2021  
J. R. PORATH  
Captain and Recorder