

Veterans of Foreign Wars Ship 1774 Meeting Minutes
Thursday, 12 August 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. The Charter was draped in memory of two shipmates we lost: Blaine Stuchlik and Smokey Tollgaard.
- Roll call of officers was held; total attendance of officers and shipmates was six.
- 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.
- Service Officer had no report.

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.
 - **Membership**. Members are always strongly encouraged to join and renew, especially as **Life Members. Life Membership 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. The locations will be determined based on participation and Covid restrictions, if any.
 - **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 for the meeting minutes and other information.
- All prayed to remember the National Home for Children.

UNFINISHED/OLD BUSINESS:

- Because of our being awarded All American status for the 2020-2021 year, members can purchase an All American cap if desired. You must call the store.

NEW BUSINESS: None.

GOOD OF THE ORDER: When you change your address or email account, let us know.

CLOSING ceremony was held and the meeting adjourned at 1818 hours.

/s/ Signed 13 August 2021
J. R. PORATH
Captain and Recorder