

Veterans of Foreign Wars Ship 1774 Meeting Minutes
Thursday, 9 June 2022

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 Ceremony** consisted of membership verification, salute to the colors, Chaplain's prayer, POW/MIA Ceremony, Pledge of Allegiance, reading of Section 230102 of the Congressional Charter, and the announcement of the special dates of remembrance for the month.
- **Charter** was not draped at this meeting since we received no report of a deceased member.
- **Roll call** of officers was held; total attendance of officers and shipmates was six.
- There was neither a Past Commander nor a **District 1 representative** present at the meeting.
- **All new and transfer applications** were read and approved for processing.
- **Minutes** of the last meeting, previously distributed, are without correction. Accordingly, the minutes stand as published.
- **Paymaster report** was provided as audited and questions were answered.
- **Service Officer.** Our present Service Officer, Lenny Guccione, will now be joined by our newest Lifetime member Dustin Pooch. His contact information will be separately provided.

Committee Reports:

- **House** (Captain). Separately published. See website or the bulletin board for meeting minutes.
- **Membership.** Saving money and ensuring continuous membership, all are encouraged to join or obtain Life Membership especially when considering the yearly dues of \$60.00 that will be effective 1 July 2022.
- **Buddy Poppy** (Captain) – No report.
- **Youth Development** (Scouting, JROTC, PP, VOD, etc.). See website for nomination forms which have all been updated.
- **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 our 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 the Veterans Museum, Balboa Park. See website: www.sduvc.org for the meeting minutes, times, and the schedule.

At the end of the Committee Reports, all prayed for and to remember the National Home for Children and what it does for deserving families and/or the children.

UNFINISHED/OLDBUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Recreation Room ceiling will be painted 14 June. Glory will be painting the wall soon after that date for the total cost of \$700. Each organization has been asked to donate \$100. Motion was made, seconded, and all approved the expenditure.

- A discussion was held to change our meeting night to the 2nd Monday vs Thursday with the rationale being that Thursdays are popular for other meetings and hall rentals. Motion was made, seconded, and all approved the meeting night change to be effective 11 July 2022.

- The District 1 Commander is scheduled to attend our July meeting. He has repeatedly asked to reserve the upper hall for a District 1 meeting, but has been turned-down because of the need to rent the space. After discussion, all agreed this should continue until a necessary change is made.

- The Captain appointed Matt Parra as our Judge Advocate to be effective immediately.

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

CLOSING ceremony was held and the meeting adjourned at 1836 hours.

/s/ Signed 10 June 2022
J. R. PORATH
Ship's Captain and Recorder