

**AMVETS Post 44
Monthly Membership Meeting
10 September 2019**

-  Meeting called to order @ 1830 Mike Graham
-  Posting of the Colors: Doc Cameron
-  Pledge of Allegiance: Doc Cameron
-  Invocation: Dan Mayo
-  Preamble to the AMVETS Constitution: Doc Cameron
-  Roll Call of Officers:

	Present	Absent	Excused
CommanderMike Graham	___X___	_____	_____
1st ViceKen Conchar	___X___	_____	_____
2nd ViceMel Meyers	___X___	_____	_____
Adjutant.....Steve Coupe	___X___	_____	_____
Judge Advocate ...Jim Kennett	___X___	_____	_____
Finance Officer.....Don Yarletts	___X___	_____	_____
Provost Marshal ...Doc Cameron	___X___	_____	_____
1st Year Trustee...Jim Stacy	_____	_____	___X___
2nd Year Trustee .Joe Taylor	___X___	_____	_____
3rd Year Trustee ..Joey Alberico	___X___	_____	_____
Chaplain.....Dan Mayo	___X___	_____	_____
Bar ManagerDon Yarletts	___X___	_____	_____

-  Minutes of the Previous Meeting were mailed out to everyone. If you don't get the emails, please let me know and we will get you on the email list.
-  Bills and Communications: None
-  Introduction of Guests: Christi Layton, 1st Vice President of the Auxiliary. Request that the AMVETS provide a bartender when the Auxiliary is having their meeting.
-  First time new members: Chan Wooten also Danni Burd.

Report of Officers

Commander: Saved for unfinished and new business

1st Vice: As of today, we have 397 active members. Total Life members 281, goal of 275. We reached our goal. We will set a new goal. Annual members is 239. We have 120 annual members that have not renewed.

2nd Vice: \$670,008.64 dollars for hours turned in so far thru August. Please let Mel know if you do any community service hours. Number 1 reporting post in state of Florida. There are a lot of events coming up, so please report your hours to Mel.

Adjutant: No Report

Judge Advocate: Need to discuss how to add a trustee to our officers.

Finance Officer: Report as usual. Building fund \$213,925.94

Provost Marshall: No report

1st Year Trustee: No report

2nd Year Trustee: No Report

3rd Year Trustee: No Report

Chaplain: Wait until Good and Welfare

Bar Manager: “The bills are paid and the lights are on. Come up to the post on Friday’s and participate in our Post. Don’t forget to get into the Meat Raffle and Queen drawings. Support us and remember you can get your tickets all week. You don’t have to just come up on Fridays and get your tickets.

Unfinished/Old Business:

1. Discussion was held to have more trustees brought on board to have a total of 5 Trustees. A motion was made to add two new trustees to our trustee board and passed. Our By-laws say we have 3. We are going to have to change our By-Laws.
2. On hold for the new property. We will be working on it again this month. Property meeting to be held shortly.
3. Haley House golf tournament is still being held on October 19th. Ed is looking for a volunteer to help with getting a fryer delivered to the golf tournament.
4. Clean up after dinners. Please check out the sign up sheet and volunteer to help clean up the next day.
5. Little Steve is holding the POW/MIA ceremony on the 21st of September.
6. A motion was made to adopt an Air Force member for the POW/MIA and motion was carried.
7. GiGi’s house report. We have now donated over \$10,000.00 in the past two years.
8. Mid-year rally Department of Florida Riders 20 – 22 September.
9. 911 Event is going well. Get tickets if you have not got them yet.
10. Vets Park is having the 911 event at 0900 tomorrow.
11. Vets Park Field of Honor is October 12th at 10 AM

New Business/Announcements:

1. Dave Braun says all Vietnam and World War II vets can sign up for Honor Flight on line.
2. Ed Branciforte is looking for volunteers for the Haley House golf tournament. He has also volunteered to run the AMVETS golf tournament.
3. Open up discussion about keeping the Karaoke on Friday nights. We have put this in our budget for keeping Karaoke on Friday nights. Maybe we need to promote it better? We will make sure it is on our weekly mail to membership.
4. Don Wellington says we are over 500 names on email. We will now have to pay 368 dollars per year to cover 500 to 1000 email. Motion was made to cover the cost of the new price and was carried.
5. The membership approved a motion to post the meeting minutes and the E-Board meeting minutes on our website, so we may stop sending them out in email.
6. Yunchie has a concern about the queen drawings and would like us to use only one color of tickets. Bubba says he will take care of it.
7. Terry Leckey was asking for the AMVETS to donate \$100 for a 16 year old girl with cancer. Motion was made and was carried.
8. Golf tournament is still going to happen, but not until April 2020. We would like to start a golf tournament committee. Ed Wallace has volunteered to run the tournament.
9. Trustees need to provide a bartender for the time the Ladies Auxiliary meeting nights.
10. Ed was named and a motion was made to accept him as a temporary trustee.
11. **Good and Welfare:** Keep everyone in your prayers. Pray for Dan Mayo, Louise Mayo, Ron Lassiter, Nita, Ted Vanaulen.

Benediction: Dan Mayo

Retiring of the Colors: Doc Cameron

Adjournment: Mike Graham at 1916 hours.

Post 44 web page www.amvetspost44.org

Next meeting is October 8, 2019 @ 18:30

Reminders:

Every Wednesday at High Noon, we put on a great meal for \$5 donation.

To give 2nd Vice your volunteer hours: mmeyers56@mindspring.com

To submit your own hours: go to <http://www.amvets.us/reports/login.jsp> or AMVETS 44 page www.amvetspost44.org for a quick link to inputting your post hours.

Keep going with Queen of hearts, dice, meat raffles, all the things that we do that generate a dollar here and a dollar there. **All these are available every single day you don't have to wait until Friday night to get your tickets.** Little dollars add up. "Drink more beer, Makes strong bones"