

**BILLY CALDWELL POST 806,
THE AMERICAN LEGION,
DEPARTMENT OF ILLINOIS**

**Minutes of the meeting of
June 10th, 2017**

- A general meeting of the membership was held at St. Paul's House in Chicago, Illinois. The meeting was called to order by Commander Dale Tippet at 12:00PM. With the American Flag in place a hand salute was rendered. The Pledge of Allegiance and the Preamble to the American Legion Constitution were recited. A moment of remembrance was given for those who are POW/MIAs.
- A roll call of Post Officers was taken

Roll call of Officers;

X Commander / Dale Tippet
X Senior Vice Commander / Peter Hirt
Excused Junior Vice – Commander / James Kostka
X Adjutant & Finance Officer / Al Coughlin
OPEN Judge Advocate
X Chaplain – Gregg Weghorst

Other Officers Present; None

and a count of all others in attendance. Including all in attendance there were nine (9) members present.

There were no minutes from May since we had a social meeting at Old Warsaw Buffet.

Reports Given

- **Commander's Report;** Commander Dale Tippet thanked all for attending our meeting. Dale reported that we will participate in presenting the school awards at a number of schools this year. If anyone would care to help it would be most welcomed. Dale expressed his displeasure of the response of some schools contacted. Dale made a motion to present Ray Kinzie of the Hitch School a plaque for his support of the American Legion School programs. Motion moved by Pete Hirt, Seconded by Al Bob Harriett voted and approved by those present. Dale discussed volunteering at the Jesse Brown VA facility, Chaplain Gregg has been there a number of times helping and deliveering books.. The Commander received a Challenge Coin for his volunteer service from the VAVS. The Commander went to the Harold Washington Library during the Memorial Day weekend to help at the NVA Museum display of Vietnam Veteran's dog tags. Commander Dale wants us to reboot a

color guard grouping again. We will begin work on the "GTTY" Program in September so we can provide gifts for the veterans at St. Paul's House and Norwood Senior Home.

- **Senior Vice;** We are closely coming upon the Department Membership Close of Books. The Adjutant indicates that our post has reached 119% in membership and are at the top place in the Ninth District.
- **Junior Vice;** Adjutant Al Coughlin indicated that our meeting at Old Warsaw in May was a good event with twenty (20) members and guests in attendance.
- **Finance;** Al Coughlin reports that as of May 31st we have \$16,159.04 in general funds with MB Financial. We also have 1 \$50,000; 2 \$20,000 and 2 \$5,000 certificates of deposit totaling \$100,000 with MB Financial.
- **Adjutant;** Al Coughlin indicated no correspondence received during May. If anyone needs to pay dues, I brought the cards with and will handle after the meeting. Remember that we have restarted our website the address is <http://www.post806.org>. Stop by and check it out, there are always new changes and information.
- **Current Happenings;** Gregg Weghorst, Jim Kostka and Al Coughlin participated and presented the flags at the Portage Park Senior Club's observance of Memorial Day on May 19th. We placed flags at Mt. Olive cemetery. Those in attendance to help were Cmdr. Dale, Chaplain Gregg Wegehörst, Bruno Renkal, Vic and Babs Rehfeldt, We will also assisted with the Memorial Day Service at St. Paul's on May 29th, Memorial Day.
- **New Business;** It was decided to take the summer off due to conventions and vacations. The next meeting will be held at St. Paul's on Saturday September 23rd, 2017 at Noon. Additional New Business, it was discussed that we should get Legion shirts and jackets showing the Post 806 insignia. We will offer a rebate to our members for their orders placed through the Post. The rebates will be \$30 for a jacket and \$20 for a Centennial shirt. Motion made by Al Pizzaro, seconded by Bruno Renkal and Pete Hirt, voted and all members present were in favor.
- **Old Business;** None
- **For the good of the Legion;** A motion was made by member Al Mullard and seconded by Al Pizzaro to donate \$100 to Sue Cunniff Coughlin's campaign fundraiser for her movement up to Department President.
- **In Memoriam;** It was learned when we arrived for the meeting that our Judge Advocate and longtime Legion member (71 years) Goran Anderson had passed away the previous day, Friday June 9th. A moment of silence was observed.

Since there was no further business to be brought before the membership, a motion was made to conclude the meeting.

The meeting was closed by Commander Tippett at 1 PM