

THE AMERICAN LEGION – September 2021 Meeting SSgt Robert C. Melberg Virginia Beach Post 110 P.O. Box 62384 Virginia Beach, VA 23466

<u>Call to Order:</u> The September 2021 meeting of American Legion Post 110 was called to order by Commander, Rick Jones.

Introduction of Guests, Prospective and New Members:

New members: None Guests: None

Post Everlasting: None

Sick Call, Relief, and Employment: None

<u>Officer's Roll Call:</u> A roll call of Post 110's Officers was conducted, and having a quorum, business was discussed. 11 members were present.

Committee Reports:

- Service Officer: Eric Bell. Absent
- Adjutant Fred Kinkin: 195 members have renewed for 2022. YTD August volunteer hours were 257 and 1,337 miles driven. All were reminded to continue to report their volunteer hours to the Adjutant.
- Finance Officer Bob Russell: Financial status was: \$18,872 in building fund savings account; \$3,929 in Post Checking account.
- Chaplain George Schmidt: Attended the POW/MIA ceremony at NAS Oceana on Sept 17th with Dave Smith, Bert Wendell and Jeff Kocab. Will contact the family of deceased member Cleveland Martin.
- Sgt. At Arms Jeff Kocab: NTR.
- Historian Bert Wendell: Photo and story of Flame of Hope POW/MIA wreath laying was published in Legiontown USA
- 1st Vice Commander: Vacant
- 2nd Vice Commander: Vacant
- Auxiliary Tonya Jones: Auxiliary continues to need more members! Please join.
- Commander Rick Jones: Reinforced the request for someone to take the 1st Vice and 2nd Vice Commander positions

<u>Reading of Minutes</u>: The meeting minutes are posted on the vapost110.org website.

Guest Speaker/Special Recognition: None

Major Topics Discussed

- All members were reminded an Early Bird membership drawing for any post member who renews his 2022 membership NLT October 31st. A drawing will be held at the November meeting for a \$50 gift card.
- 2. Ron Basso, Veteran's Day Parade coordinator, gave an update on the planning for this year's parade to be held on November 11th.
- The Post picnic scheduled for October 2nd was cancelled due to lack of interest; only 19 total RSVP's were received. Membership decided to try to reschedule in the spring. Dave Smith volunteered to contact the City to get our deposit back for the shelter rental.
- 4. Bert Wendell provided feedback on evaluating purchasing a commemorative coin for Post 110 to be used for recognizing members and guests who provide significant assistance to the American Legion and veterans. Cost of the coin would be \$9.99 each if we bought at least 50. We are currently using the standard American Legion coin that costs only \$2.99. Membership felt it was not worth the extra expense and recommended we continue to use the standard American Legion coin for recognition.

Long Range Goals:

- 1. Obtain permanent Post Home.
- 2. Increase membership active participation in Post activities.

Recently Completed Events:

June 14 – Flag Day flag retirement ceremony at OLPH

- Jun 20-26 Boys State at Radford University
- July 28 Recognition of Boys State attendees
- Sep 17 POW/MIA Flame of Hope Ceremony at NAS Oceana
- Sep 19 2nd District Fall Conference

Upcoming Events:

Oct 27 – Post 110 Monthly Meeting Oct 22-24 Department of Virginia Fall Conference – Doubletree Hotel, Williamsburg Nov 11 – Veteran's Day Parade Nov 12 – Veteran's Day Ceremony at OLPH – 10am Nov 24 – Post 110 Monthly Meeting Dec (TBD) – Holiday Dinner

Good of the Legion: None

Building Fund 50/50 Raffle: Won by Ken Golden

<u>Next Monthly Meeting:</u> Wednesday, Oct 27, 2021 at VFW 392 Post located at 2408 Bowland Parkway, Virginia Beach. **START TIME 7PM.**

The meeting was adjourned at 7:50 PM.

Submitted by: Frederic M. Kinkin Post Adjutant American Legion Post 110