



THE AMERICAN LEGION – MARCH 2021 Meeting
SSgt Robert C. Melberg Virginia Beach Post 110
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Call to Order: The March 2021 meeting of American Legion Post 110 was called to order by Commander, Rick Jones.

Introduction of Guests, Prospective and New Members:

New members: Milton Clemmons, transfer from Post 141

Guests: None

Post Everlasting: None

Sick Call, Relief, and Employment: None

Officer's Roll Call: 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; working nights
- Adjutant Fred Kinkin: Current paid membership is 318 vs goal of 328 (97%). YTD volunteer hours were 754 and 3,089 miles driven. All were reminded to continue to report their volunteer hours to the Adjutant.
- Finance Officer Jon Asher: Financial status was: \$18,736 in building fund savings account; \$4,847 in Post Checking account.
- Chaplain George Schmidt: Absent.
- Sgt. At Arms Jeff Kocab: Absent.
- Historian Bert Wendell: Absent
- 1st Vice Commander: Vacant
- 2nd Vice Commander: Vacant
- Auxiliary Tonya Jones: Will hold another Linens for Vets campaign in the next few months.
- Commander Rick Jones: Commander's Membership Challenge: Will award top two membership enrollers gas cards of \$20/\$10 respectively, by the end of June. Adjutant's Challenge: enroll more new members than Fred Kinkin and he will take you to dinner. Encouraged all members to consider running for a leadership position.

Reading of Minutes: The meeting minutes are posted on the vapost110.org website.

Guest Speaker/Special Recognition: Boys State Coordinator, Wendell Parker reviewed the plans for this year's Boys State program. He has four candidates for Catholic H.S. who he will interview in the coming week after spring break. Plan is to have the boys and their parents visit Post 110 meeting in May.

Major Topics Discussed

1. The meeting utilized ZOOM technology for virtual attendance for the first time. Unfortunately only one member connected via ZOOM. Will attempt to improve communication about ZOOM.
2. Commander Jones encouraged all members to consider running for a leadership position. Nominations are due by the April 28th monthly meeting. The post will hold the election for 2022 officers at the May meeting.
3. Assistant Chaplain, Dave Smith, led a discussion about a planned post picnic which will be scheduled for early fall. He will construct a survey that can be sent to membership to estimate attendance in the event. Rental for a medium size shelter at Munden Point is \$70.
4. It was noted that one of our members, Ron Basso, had an article printed in the March issue of American Legion Magazine, titled, "The Invasion That Never Was". All members are encouraged to read the interesting article. Ron will be invited to discuss the article at the April monthly meeting.

Long Range Goals:

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

Recently Completed Events:

Feb 28 – 2nd District American Legion meeting (virtual)

Mar 6 – Virginia American Legion Department meeting (virtual)

Upcoming Events:

Apr 28 – Post 110 Monthly Meeting

May TBD – Award ceremonies for NJROTC Units at First Colonial and Landstown HS

May 26 – Post 110 Monthly Meeting and Post Elections for 2022

May 31 – Memorial Day

Jun 20-26 – Boys State at Radford University

Jun 23 – Post 110 Monthly Meeting

July TBD – Department Conference in Herndon, VA

Sep TBD – Fall Post Picnic

Good of the Legion: None

Building Fund 50/50 Raffle: Won by Fred Kinkin, who donated the winnings to the building fund.

Next Monthly Meeting: Wednesday, April 28, 2021 at VFW 392 Post located at 2408 Bowland Parkway, Virginia Beach. **START TIME 7PM.** Guest speaker Ron Basso, author of the article “The Invasion That Never Was”.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:10 PM.

Submitted by:

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Post Adjutant

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