

## American Legion Earle B. Stewart Post 16

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The meeting was called to order Saturday, May 14, 2016 at 12:00 noon at the American Legion Hall Post 16 Roseburg, Oregon by Commander Rick Sciapiti.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Commander Sciapiti.

Opening Prayer was given by Chaplain Ted Blann.

Commander Sciapiti asked if there were any guests present and there were none.

**Roll call of officers:** Acting Adjutant Bergadine called the roll. Those present were Commander Sciapiti, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice Bergadine, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Harper, Finance officer Kruysman, Historian Conner, JAG Page, Chaplain Blann. Service Officer Bessey and Adjutant Hill was absent-excused.

**Approval of Minutes:** Minutes of April meeting; Motion to accept with no additions or corrections made by Doug Page and seconded by Dale Nelson. Motion carried.

**Finance Report:** Finance Officer Kruysman, read the April Finance Report. The Finance Report is on file and available upon request. Motion to accept made by Kirk Conner and seconded by Doug Page. Motion carried.

**Attendance:** There were five members present.

**Reports:** Chaplain Blann reported that he provides bananas to all patients at the VA Hospital and regularly supports the clothing outlet for Veterans.

**Membership report:** 1<sup>st</sup> Vice Bergadine noted a %96.65 membership paid for 2016.

Historian Conner talked about the verses in the American Legion Preamble and what they mean and that it will be published in the monthly news letter.

Finance Officer Kruysman reported on the approved budget for the year 2017.

Building Maintenance report was given by Commander Sciapiti which included the new lighting that will be installed soon in the entire building which will save the post monthly electrical costs.

**New Business:** Commander Sciapiti reminded all present that the Peace Officer Memorial Ceremony will be held at 9:00 AM in front of the Douglas County Courthouse.

The DCVF will meet at 5:00 PM, Tuesday the 17<sup>th</sup> of May at the legion hall.

VA National Cemetery quarterly Remembrance Service will be held on Wednesday May 17<sup>th</sup> at 1300.

Douglas County Veterans Advisory Committee will meet on May 18<sup>th</sup> at 3:00 PM at the DC Courthouse VSO conference room.

Living History Day will be held at RHS on May 19<sup>th</sup> from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM and that sign up is required. Dirk Kruysman reported that he sent out 100 invitations and only 46 invited responded.

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Memorial Day tribute to Veterans will be held at 11:00 AM at the VA National Cemetery with a BBQ/picnic hosted by the DCVF to follow. All Veterans are cordially invited.

WW2 Veterans will be the theme at the Veterans Day Parade on 11 Nov. 2016.

DCVF elections will be held on 17 May at 5:00 PM at the Legion Hall.

Bud Bessey accepted the position of Service Officer by official letter and Dirk Kruysman motioned for nomination of Robert Smith as SGT-AT-ARMS. Doug Page seconded the motion and it was carried.

Kirk Conner talked about the Veterans Home to be built in Roseburg, Oregon and some history behind the four thousand homes that was supposed to be built here between 1948 and 1950.

Chaplain Blann draped the Charter for Legionairs, Donald R. Roy and Rasmon B. Wietstock who have passed to the Post Everlasting.

Commander Sciapiti won the 50/50 drawing and donated all proceedings back to the post.

**Good of the Order:** No comments were given.

**Next meeting:** June 11<sup>th</sup> at 12:00 noon at the Legion Hall.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:45 PM.

Respectfully Submitted:

Steve Bergadine, Acting Adjutant