



**American Legion Flagler Post 115  
General Meeting Minutes  
AMVETS POST 113  
6 MAY 2024**

**Cdr. Werner:** - Opens Meeting 1756 HRS

**Presentation of Colors:** – Honor Guard

**Prayer:** – Chaplain Beier

**POW / MIA Empty Chair Ceremony:** – Sgt. @ Arms Beier

**Pledge:** – Cdr. Werner

**Honored Guests:** - Sgt. @ Arms Beier

- Joe Pepin 17<sup>th</sup> Dist. Fin Off, Ophelia Beier 17<sup>th</sup> Dist. Chaplain, Davind Hammond 17<sup>th</sup> Dist. 2<sup>nd</sup> VC, Ron Dean 17<sup>th</sup> Dist. ALR Chair, Bryant Thorpe 17<sup>th</sup> Dist. 1<sup>st</sup> VC, Omer Smith Past Dept. of FL Cdr and current Dept. Asst. J.A.

**Dinner Prayer:** - Chaplain Beier

**Pot-Luck Dinner Break:**

**Membership meeting called to order:** - Cdr. Werner

- 65 in attendance.

**Officer Roll Call:** – Adj. Owens

- Excused – Johnson, Work, Lydon

**Minutes of previous meetings:** – Adj. Owens

- Minutes of 8 APR general meeting and 22 APR executive meetings have been posted on-line @ [www.flaglerpost115.org](http://www.flaglerpost115.org) for review per By-Laws.

**Cdr. Werner Report:**

- Attended the HS Honor Cord Ceremony as well as the Matanzas HS JROTC Awards ceremony – great and impressive young adults! FPC JROTC Awards Ceremony Friday 17 May – 1800hrs. FPC Auditorium – all are welcome to attend.
  - o We award four (4) Junior ROTC Medals and Ribbons to deserving ROTC Cadets along with a \$250 Scholarship Check – One MILITARY EXCELLENCE and one SCHOLASTIC EXCELLENCE Award and Medal to a Cadet from each of our High Schools – four (4) in total.

**Incoming Correspondence:** Adj. Owens

**1<sup>st</sup> VC Dean Report:**

- Membership Report:
  - o As of 30 APR 2024 – OVER 100%
    - Great job to Post, SAL, ALR, and AUX for reaching their goals!!

**2<sup>nd</sup> VC Leahy Report:**

- 4 very qualified candidates are ready to go to Boys State 2024 in Tallahassee.

**3<sup>rd</sup> VC Campbell Report:**

- Lollipop Drive - Over \$2,300 was collected Sat & Sun APR 13 & 14 @ Publix Hwy 100 Flagler Beach! Daily and hourly records were set!

- Please sign up to volunteer - MORE dates to follow and sign-up sheets will be available at meetings and @ our on-line website @ [www.FlaglerPost115.org](http://www.FlaglerPost115.org).
- Di Pepin has again this year donated a Queen-Sized quilt that she made for raffle. Tickets will be sold in packages of 5 for \$25 and members are welcome to sell to family, friends, and the public.
  - Drawing to be held Veterans Day 11/11/24.

**Finance Officer Ophelia Beier Report:**

- APR 2024 finance report presented for audit. Motion and 2<sup>nd</sup> to accept as written for audit, no discussion, unanimous approval.

**Chaplain Report:**

- Sick Call –
  - Pastor Johnson, Michaela Sipes, Bill Haseltine, Bina Leahy, Joe Holt, Jim Muskopf, Ted Turowski, Vinnie Raffaele. Linda Dyer, Anne Rothenberger, Pete Seidel. Donna Gregory.

**VAC Sastoque Report:**

- Next VAC meeting to be held on Mon. 13 MAY 2024 1600hrs.
- WED 22 May – **Post 115 NIGHT OF BASEBALL** – DAYTONA BEACH TORTUGAS – Cincinnati Reds Class A Baseball @ Jackie Robinson Stadium. Contact Nelson Sastoque to sign up.

**Service Officer Lydon Report:** n/r

**Sgt. At Arms Ed Beier Report:**

- Color Guard presenting Colors @ 17<sup>th</sup> Dist. DCC 5/11 then funeral service @ Craig Flagler Palms same day.
- Will be @ Flagler Beach Memorial Day Ceremony 1300hrs 5/27.
- Welcome new member Eddie Todd!

**Judge Advocate Middleton Report:**

- Post 115 updated Constitution & By-laws have been accepted by Dept. of FL & National with few edits.
  - Constitution & By-Laws are available for view on our Post 115 website.
- Vote to be held for 2024/2025 membership year Post Officers.
  - Slate of officer positions on your tables with all positions uncontested.
    - Cdr. Paul Werner, 1<sup>st</sup> VC Ronnie Dean, 2<sup>nd</sup> VC Joseph Leahy, 3<sup>rd</sup> VC James Boyd, Fin. Off. Ophelia Beier, Chaplain John Johnson, Sgt @ Arms Edward Beier, Historian no candidate.
      - Motion and 2<sup>nd</sup> made to accept slate of officers for 2024/2025 year as presented, no discussion, unanimous approval.
    - Installation of Officers to occur at the 1 JULY 2024 meeting.

**Historian Report:**

- Obtained photo of US Congressman Mike Waltz with members Gary McNamara & Ray Work at the Daytona Beach Grand Opening Ceremony for the Post scrapbook.

**Past Cdr. Pepin Report:**

- Possible Brick Dedication Ceremony again @ Heroes Park.

- More bricks have been received and we will have a dedication ceremony to be coordinated with our Honor Guard.

### **ALR Chap. 115 Dir. Rothenberger Report:**

- Thanks to Post 115 for contributing \$500 towards the Dept of FL In-State Unity Ride in addition to ALR Chapter 115 \$615 Donation – a total of \$1,115 to Project VetRelief and Suicide Prevention!
- We'll be supporting the May 27 Memorial Day Picnic @ VFW Post 8696.

### **Member @ Large McNamara Report:**

- Attended Daytona VA Clinic Grand Opening with Ray Work – great facility scheduled to open 5/14/24.

### **Member @ Large Work Report: n/r**

### **SAL Report:**

- Squadron 115 Adjutant David Campbell elected 1<sup>st</sup> VC 17<sup>th</sup> Dist. SAL

### **AUX. Unit 115 Report: n/r**

### **Old Business:**

- FPC HS JRROTC Awards Ceremony Fri. 17 May @ the Flagler Auditorium 1800hrs. Cdr. Werner to present certificates, medals, scholarship checks to selected cadets. All members are urged to attend.

### **New Business:**

- STORAGE SHED FOR NEW LOCATION discussion and need to fund.
  - Received two (2) quotes for a 10x12 Storage Shed –
    - HANDIHOUSE – wooden shed - \$4,565
    - NOLAN STORAGE – metal shed – 4 windows – very sturdy - \$5,250
      - Motion and 2<sup>nd</sup> to purchase the shed from NOLAN Storage Solutions – discussion followed, and questions answered – unanimous vote for approval of shed purchase from Nolan.
- SIGNAGE for new location discussion and need to fund.
  - Received quotes from Vinny the Printer & McNeill Signs with Vinny being very competitive.
    - Description of signage @ US1 @ Otis Hunter Rd. plus two (2) portable A-Frame signs @ Otis Hunter/Steel Rail Dr AND in front of the building were proposed for purchase.
    - Motion and 2<sup>nd</sup> made to purchase signage from Vinny the Printer, some discussion with questions answered, unanimous approval of purchase.
- 2024 POST 115 4<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL CHARITY GOLF TOURNEY SAT. 5 OCT. 2024 @ PALM HARBOR GOLF CLUB.

### **Initiations: none**

### **For The Good of The Order:**

- Member Ron Boisvert is a member of VETTES FOR VETS – looking to rehabilitate a home for a deserving veteran here in Flagler County and is asking Post 115 for a needy candidate.

### **Closing Ceremony / Retirement of Colors – Post 115 Color Guard**

### **Commander's Charge Cdr. Werner**

### **Chaplain's Prayer: Chaplain Beier**

**Meeting Adjournment** 1940hrs. – Respectfully Submitted, Gary M Owens, Adjutant Post 115