



Minutes of meeting of American Legion Post 314 held on Thursday, April 27,

2017

The Commander called the meeting to order at 7:35 PM. An opening prayer, the POW-MIA ceremony, the flag salute, the pledge of allegiance and a recitation of the preamble were performed.

Roll Call was conducted. 10 members were present including 6 officers.

Minutes of the March 23 meeting were read and approved.

Committee reports were given as follows:

ABC -	John Zuccarello	no report
Americanism -	Bill Mitchell	reported that the executive committee of the patriotic committee held a meeting to invite those who took part in previous Independence Day parades to attend the next meeting and to establish a Ewing Patriotic Color Guard consisting of members of the now defunct VFW. There is resistance to this. We will have representation at the next meeting. Tim Reeg will assume this committee.
Bar -	John Zuccarello	no report
Baseball -	Jon Conant	no report
Boy Scouts -	Joe Coult	reported that he will contact the scoutmaster to attend the July meeting to accept the yearly donation.
Boy's State -	Tom Slowinski	reported that Dr. Logan made an announcement at Ewing High with no responses. A second announcement will be made. One applicant who attends Notre Dame has expressed an interest. Tom will follow up.
Children & Youth -	No Chairman	no report
Color Guard	Tim Leary	no report
Const. & By-Laws -	Joe Coult	no report
Convention -	John Zuccarello	reported that there sign up sheets are posted at the bar. 10 rooms remain.
Educ. & Scholarships -	Tom Slowinski	no report

House & Grounds -	John Zuccarello	reported that inspection is scheduled for tomorrow. The kitchen and bar area have been updated.
Legion College -	Joe Coult	reported that no one attended.
Legislative -	No Chairman	no report
Membership -	Mike Termun	reported that 5 members have not paid for 2017. Mike has created a file for each member to keep copies of all pertinent records.
Memorial Services & Graves -	No Chairman	no report
Parades & Special Events -	No Chairman	no report
POW-MIA -	Mert Trombly	no report
Public Relations -	Joe Coult	no report
S.A.L. -	Joe Coult	no report
Service Officer	Mert Trombly	no report
Veterans Affairs & Rehab	No Chairman	no report
Ways & Means -	John Zuccarello	reported that the H.O.P.E. ticket will go off on Monday and that there will be a TV giveaway for June.

Executive Committee - reported that the picnic is coming up.

The financial report was given as follows: The report listed a net loss of \$2,929.96 for March.

Unfinished business:

Paul Weichler provided a copy of the Post's electric bill to solar providers for proposals. He explained the difference between purchasing and leasing the system.

New business:

Bill Mitchell said that he will request the portable stage for the last Saturday in September for the Post's Oktoberfest party.

Joe Coult received a mailing requesting a donation for H.O.B.Y., a youth leadership organization. After discussion it was decided that, if a Ewing sophomore takes advantage of their services, then we would make a donation.

For the Good of the Legion:

John Zuccarello suggested that the Post look into either relocating the VFW's cell tower or offering to host a new tower.

Jim asked if we had ever donated to the Sea Cadets. He will investigate whether any Ewing residents are enrolled.

Bill Mitchell reminded the body that the American Legion will be 100 years old in 2019.

Tom Slowinski said that along with the Ladies Auxiliary we should make a greater effort to sell poppies. He will discuss it with the Auxiliary President.

Don Kale's name was drawn for the attendance award. He was not present. Next month's drawing will be for \$450.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made, seconded and approved. The Commander closed the meeting at 8:15 PM with standard closing ceremonies.

Respectfully submitted for God and Country,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Joseph Coult". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looping initial "J".

Joseph Coult, Adjutant  
Mercer County American Legion Post 314