



**MINUTES OF THE
QUEENS COUNTY COMMITTEE, Inc.
LITTLE NECK/DOUGLASTON POST 103
COUNTY MEETING ON APRIL 22, 2009**

Commander Michael Honan opened the meeting at 8:05 PM, with the salute of colors, opening prayers by our Chaplain, the Pledge of Allegiance and the POW / MIA Ceremony.

Roll Call was held as follows:

VC Norbert Chwat, Adjutant Louis A. Rodriguez, Chaplain Rev Philip T. Sica, Corrine Alpert, and Peter Zaun were excused.

Sgt-at-Arms David L. Patterson, John Allison, Michael Barone, and Thomas Williams were absent.

The County also recognized the presence of PCC's James W. Casey, Joseph C. Thomassen, Denis J. McEaney, Vincent J. Calimano, John N. Severa, Daniel F. O'Sullivan, Richard N. Pearsall, and Thomas X. Winberry.

The County also recognized the presence of PDC/PTDC James Casey, PTDC Joseph C. Thomassen, and PTDC Denis J. McEaney.

The Roll call of Posts:

Bayside 510, Broad Channel 1404, Continental 1424, Elmhurst-Jackson Heights 298, Joseph B. Garity 562, Little Neck Douglaston 103, MAJ J. A. McKenna 797, Benjamin Moore 1946, Daniel M O'Connell 272, and Ruoff Norelli Hargreaves 632 were represented.

The minutes of the meeting of March 15, 2009 were unanimously approved, with corrections, on a motion by Joseph C. Thomassen, seconded by Walter Karas.

QCC Michael Honan introduced 10th District Commander Philip Barczak and his SGT-at-Arms John Severa, who were conducting the visitation to the County. Commander Barczak commended Queens County for the good job it was doing.

Treasure's Report: We are solvent.

Correspondence: Correspondence was read and accepted to take their usual course

Committee Reports:

Adjutants Call/County Website: Paul Schottenhamel stated that there would be no more hard copy Adjutants Call. All the minutes will be posted on the county webpage. He had listed various post events on the webpage, but he felt that there might be more post events that are not listed. Please email the information to him.

Boy Scouts: Previously Zoltan Szollosy had requested that the posts make donations for the Boy Scout Council, but there was no response. He will be attending an Eagle Scout Court of Honor on Union Turnpike.

Boys State: Harry McMahon read a list of posts that have sponsored boys for this year's program.

Children & Youth: Arthur Adams stated that over the past nine years, Queens County has donated over \$10,000 to Queens Library for the purchase of children's books. This year we are donating \$1,000 and the presentation of books will be at 4 PM on May 8 at the main branch. All Legionnaires are invited to attend.

County Convention Selection: Daniel O'Sullivan reported that the 2009 county convention would be at the Continental Post. PCC Thomas Winberry Chair the Convention and John Severa will co-host. PCC Vincent Calimano requested donations for the convention.

Credentials: John Severa stated that the documents were mailed to the posts and copies were on the back table.

Dinner for PCC Charity Ball Service: PDC James Casey that attendance was down this year. The evening was otherwise a great success. We still showed a profit of \$31.57.

Flags (Memorial Day): Walter Hovi stated that the flags would be distributed at the next meeting to be held at the Joseph B. Garity Post.

Housing (Dept. Conv.): Vincent Calimano stated that the applications would be mailed to Department tomorrow.

Law & Order: Thomas Winberry planned to present this year's award to precinct and firehouses.

Legionnaire of the Year: Robert Condoleo reported that the applications were mailed to 10th District. They will now be distributed to the present and past commanders to select one to forward to Department.

Membership: Robert Condoleo stated that no reminders would be mailed to those delinquent with their dues. The 10th District goal is 100% by 10 May. Posts should forward the dues payments as they get them and make every attempt to contact those who have not paid.

NYSVNH Board of Visitors: Joseph Thomassen reported that there is much new construction at the nursing home at St. Albans.

POW/MIA: Walter Karas reported that the US is still working on Vietnam War MIAs.

VAVS: Thomas Winberry reported that he had the grand opening of the non-alcoholic pub at St. Albans. They had 15-20 veterans in attendance. The hours have changed to 1-5 PM. He has nine volunteer bartenders, who will work 3-4 hours each on Saturdays.

Unfinished Business

None

New Business

None

Good of the Legion:

A motion to adjourn made by Harry McMahan, seconded, by Thomas Winberry, was unanimously approved.

Meeting was then closed with a prayer and the salute to colors. Time 9:29 PM

Paul J. Schottenhamel
Acting Adjutant