

**Commander - Merlin L. (Bud) Evered**  
**Adjutant - Harrison H. Solt III**  
**Chaplain - James G. McKibben III**  
**Officer of the Day - James A. Knowles**  
**Service Officer - William E. Clarke**

Minutes of 10 January 2011 Post meeting at St. David's Parish Hall, Gales Ferry, CT

The regular meeting was opened at 1:00 PM according to ritual with Commander Evered presiding. A salute to the Colors and the Pledge of Allegiance were conducted. There were nine members present. There were no guests.

Adjutant Solt read the minutes of the 10 December 2010 meeting and they were accepted as amended. The amendment was made to the last paragraph of the minutes (post meeting gathering). "Brick Oven Restaurant" was changed to read "Fireside Brick Oven Restaurant".

### **Correspondence**

1. The Adjutant introduced a number of State Adjutant emails and Department distributed flyers. Copies on file in the Post Correspondence Log.

### **Financial Report**

CDR Evered read the monthly financial reports for December 2010 (period of 1 December 2010 through 31 December 2010). The financial report was approved and accepted as presented.

### **Comrades in Distress**

Neither comrades nor family members were identified in distress.

### **Committee Reports**

No Committee reports were submitted or taken.

**Post 4608 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Recognition and Celebration:** Plans are on going to mark and celebrate the Post's 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary in March 2011. Preliminary plans are under development. A Committee chair and Committee members are needed and solicited. Any one interested in helping with this event should contact the Commander. Many more plans and ideas need to be developed. This will be a major undertaking and every one's help is needed and welcomed. Commander Evered will convene a meeting at his home later this month (Date and Time to be announced) to work on this project. All are encouraged to attend this special work meeting. At this point there are 5 Charter Members, 2 Past Post Commanders, and 2 Past Post Quartermasters that will be recognized. Member lapel service pins have been procured and available for distribution at the anniversary celebration.

### **Current Assignments:**

1. Comrade Patenaude and Shirley Patenaude have volunteered to create a photographic history of the post for viewing at the March special meeting.
2. Commander and Mrs. Evered will create/procure the invitations and event notices.
3. Commander Evered will take care of the mailings.

### **Unfinished Business.**

1. Awards to Businesses: Distribution of "Good Neighbor" certificates to the business previously identified is ongoing.

**New Business.**

1. Commander Evered reported that a donation was made to the "American Patriot Warrior Fund. This is a fund to assist newly disabled veterans.

**Good of the Order.**

1. With George Patenaude cutting back on his involvement, the Post is without a Photographer. Anyone who can take over for George is asked to contact a Post Officer. It was noted that with the Post website and the Zip06 account, distribution of photos is no expense and easy to accomplish.
2. Comrade Chaplain McKibben notified the Commander that he has been attending funerals of Ledyard resident veterans who are not members of Post 4608. All felt this was a worthy effort and should be continued. A motion was made and seconded to send a VFW sympathy card to the family of deceased Ledyard resident veterans. Motion was passed unanimously. (Motion 2011-01-001).
3. As a Charter Member, Comrade Patenaude expressed interest in a VFW clock. The Post has several clocks and one will be provided to Comrade Patenaude.
4. All were reminded that we have returned to the winter meeting schedule. The January meeting will begin at 1:00 PM on Monday January 10, 2011.

There being no further business the Commander closed the meeting. The meeting was closed at 2:30 PM.

A post meeting gathering was held at Raya's on Route 12 in Gales Ferry. The Commander initiated this gathering in lieu of mid meeting refreshments. The intent was to continue the members' camaraderie while exposing the Post to the community.



H. H. Solt III  
Adjutant