



## **Jim J. Gilleo American Legion Riders Chapter 283**

### **Membership Meeting**

**September 5, 2026**

The meeting was called to order at 09:00 by Director Jim Nowak.

Chaplin Phil Dupont offered prayer.

Pow/Mia flag placed on chair by Asst. Sgt at Arms Gordon Meadows.

Plague of Allegiance lead by Sgt at Arms Vicki Skipper-Compton

Rider's creed was recited by all in attendance.

**Roll called.** Present: Director Jim Nowak, Asst. Director Kaytlyn Satterwhite, Chaplin Phil Dupont, Finance Officer Ella Rae Jansen, Adjutant Kam Sons, Sgt @ Arms Vickie Skipper-Compton Asst. Sgt @ Arms Gordon Meadows Road Captain Sammie Ballinger, Safety Officer: Shawn Evans, Membership Karen Hunter-Nowak, Quarter Master Ella Rae Jansen, Webmaster, Jim Nowak (Quorum is meet)

**Not Present:** Event Coordinator, Mark Lowy

**Guests:** Rod Palmer

### **Committee Reports:**

**Adjutant** In lieu of reading the minutes, they are posted on website, a motion was made to accept minutes as posted. Motion was properly seconded and without any discussion motion passed. If there is anything you need to send to the adjutant, please send it to [283rideradjutant@gmail.com](mailto:283rideradjutant@gmail.com)

**Finance Officer** read detailed report of account balances of August, report is as follows: Checking \$17127.42, Rider down fund \$3185.19, Summit Account \$3227.71 Money market \$4118.33, Charity Account \$1485.90, Pulmonary fibrosis Account \$3640.00 Poker Run Account \$5872.49 total funds available \$38657.04. The motion was made to accept the finance report subject to audit, it was properly seconded and without any discussion the motion passed.

**Asst. Director:** August: 25940 miles and 2296 hours. We had \$1000 in donations as well. Year to date totals were as follows: 123,000 miles, 8754 hours, and donations \$2600.

**Chaplin:** Nothing to report

**Membership:** There is only 1 new person to be voted in. A motion was made to accept the new Rider Rodney Palmer. It was properly seconded, no discussion, motion carried.

**Sgt at Arms:** 19 members 1 guests. \$30 for Poker Run fund. A new waiver is on table for everyone to sign.

**Road Captain:**

**Safety Captain:**

**Webmaster:** Minutes are posted any new pictures please get with Jim.

**Historian:** On the 1<sup>st</sup> we had our meeting and a ride out to Billy Jack's for lunch. On the 2<sup>nd</sup> Jim had tickets to the Jumbo shrimp game. On the 4<sup>th</sup> plaques from 55 and 155 were taken. On the 8<sup>th</sup> there was a ride to Daytona for little Sturgis. On the 9<sup>th</sup> post 9's plaque was taken. On the 29<sup>th</sup> there was the Boots on the Ground ceremony where we received a plaque for our donation.

**Event Coordinator:** not present

**Quarter Master:** no recent activity. Everything is in the cabinet.

**Director:** I want to give out recognition for those who come out and help with meals and functions.

We received a card from Cindy Ranauld, Thanking the riders for our donation. From district meeting, Wreaths across information was given, and we received a letter from JNC about a radio project, looking for donations to be put toward walkie talkies for the cemetery for events. A motion was made to donate 200.00 to this project. It was properly seconded, no discussion, motion passed.

Again, hours and miles anything for the legion and veterans. Please log them.

The whole state patch does not seem plausible, and you must be on a motorcycle. If anyone wanting the district patch there will be an opportunity every quarter for a ride.

On September 12, ALR 372 has a 9/11 ride starts at 09:30am on Monkey's Uncle on San Jose same day ALR 137 has a ride at 9am. On that night ALR 316 has an oyster roast and shrimp boil at 1pm.

On September 13, is the district 5 meeting at 197 at 1pm. Family meeting.

On the 19<sup>th</sup> is the POW/MIA 7 bridges ride. starts at 8am at Baymeadows Adamec Harley.

On the 26<sup>th</sup>, our poker run, we need to have 1 more meeting before the event.

Oct 4<sup>th</sup> is the southern route ride for the south part of the 5<sup>th</sup> District ride. Starting at Post 37.

October starts our Merry-go-round month. This is the competition between the Florida districts for Florida Children and Youth. We get credit for chapter of the year. Any rides make it a merry go round for \$5.00, only takes 1 rider just pay \$5 and go to 3 post. 3 people from 3 difference post you can make it a unity ride as well. If you have any poker run items for baskets, please give them to Jim to go into the storage unit. Don't forget, scratch off tickets for the baskets. Anything was businesses as for as swag. Please let us know. We need a head count for the bus, so we know what bus we need.

Right now, our bike night we are not doing much. Director proposed we move the bike night to our dinner night. A motion was made to move the event to our dinner night. It was properly seconded. No discussion motion carried. For October bike night we need items for a Halloween based basket and bottles for raffle. Our Taco Tuesday crew is pretty much set and good. We need people to sign up for the Thursday meal. If you would like to sign up Karen has the book.

Keep Rider of the Year in the back of your mind. The new rider packet is being worked on.

Waivers for 26-27 year need to be signed, if you have not please get with Karen.

We went to Boots of the Ground ceremony, we received a plaque for your donation and Kyle Satterwhite also received a plaque for being a Road Captain for district 5.

Post cleanup will be after the meeting today. The riders always clean the kitchen and patio.

The director checked more into the scholarship program, due to concerns about costs. After looking through he went to BBB and they had an “F” rating. He is still looking into another company for this.

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting; it was properly seconded.

POW/MIA flag retrieved by Asst Sgt at Arms Gordon Meadows

Closing prayer offered by Chaplin.

Director adjourned meeting at 08:42:02

For God and Country,

Respectfully submitted by:

Chapter 283 Adjutant

