

# Bloomington American Legion Post 550

## Monday, September 12, 2022 Minutes

- Meeting called to order by Commander Luis Campero at 7:07 p.m.
- Colors presented, prayer offered. The POW flag placed on an empty chair. Pledge and Preamble recited.
- Guest Carleen Kerttula from the Bloomington Kennedy Activities Foundation came to provide information about the foundation and the role it plays in assisting Kennedy High School students, athletic teams, and various student activities with financial assistance. She thanked American Legion Post 550 for past assistance and hoped we would provide additional assistance in the future.
- Roll call of officers: one absent, 2nd vice commander.
- Printed copies of the August minutes distributed. Narragon moved, Nenovich seconded, approved.
- Financial Officer Jerry Narragon gave the financial report, Warren moved, Welch seconded, approved.
- Commander Luis Campero reported that membership for 2023 is at 213 or 58 percent of the goal.
- Rick Warren provided the Gambling Report, Skinn moved, Mead seconded, approved.
- Gun Safety class completed for the fall of 2022. The next class will be in April of 2023.
- Jim Mead reported for the Sons of the American Legion (SAL) cards just received. A membership report will be provided in October.
- Post 550 Commander Luis Campero reported that the Minnesota Legion Riders presented the largest contribution from any one state: \$155,000 for 2022
- A committee to be headed by Ron Nenovich will be looking into options regarding the VFW's rent increase to the American Legion for the office.
- The Bloomington Veterans Memorial Fundraising "Brewery Bash" will be held Sunday, Sept. 18, from 3 to 6 p.m. at Nine Mile Brewing Company, 9555 James Ave S.
- Prayer was offered.
- POW flag was recovered.
- The meeting was adjourned at 7:57.

— Adjutant Warren Christopherson