

AMERICAN LEGION- FRANK E. ROBINSON POST 586

TIPP CITY, OHIO

MEMBERSHIP MEETING- Tuesday, 27 January 2026

Post Commander called the membership meeting to order on Tuesday, 27 Jan 26 at 7:02 pm with the Salute to the Colors, Opening Prayer, Pledge of Allegiance, and Preamble.

Roll Call: Commander, 1st Vice, 2nd Vice, Adjutant, Finance, Sgt-at-Arms, Trustees (2 of 3)

- Chaplain, Historian, Service Officer, Judge Advocate all had excused absences
- No non-officer members were present

Guests: None

Adjutant:

- It was properly moved and seconded to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the 9 Dec 2025 membership meeting. The motion was approved and the minutes were approved as written.

Committee Reports:

- Americanism:
 - Brian Fowle and Angel Turner jointly visited area schools to promote Buckeye Boys State and Buckeye Girls State.
 - Brian Fowle motioned, Dan Elmore seconded, to allocate \$1200 to send 4 local high school boys to Boys State this year. The motion was approved.
- House:
 - John Kessler briefed that the Trustees have been working to obtain cost estimates for assessing, flushing and, if necessary, replacing the Post's fire protection system components. They have received a "set up" quote in the amount of \$1550. The "set up" will determine necessary materials, configurations, detailed work needed, etc. John indicated that depending on how much work needs to be done, total costs could likely be into the five figures, potentially even six figures. The project will be completed in stages which would help spread out the costs.
 - John Kessler motioned, Frank March seconded, to approve the "set up" quote of \$1550. The motion passed.
- Membership: Brian Fowle motioned, Dan Elmore seconded, to accept Gerold Quillen as a transfer from Post 43. Gerold was unanimously accepted for membership in Post 586.
- Communications/Media: Per Mike Brenner, the submission deadline for the Feb newsletter is Friday, 20 Feb.

- Honor Guard: NSTR
- Color Guard: NSTR

Finance Report: For the quarter 10/1/25 to 12/31/25

Income: \$78,728.77

Expenses: \$68,339.66

Balance: \$10,389.11

Service Officer Report: None due to Service Officer excused absence.

Old Business:

- Fun Run/Walk in Support of Suicide Awareness. Brian Fowle motioned to spend \$1000 to support the event. Chuck Frazier seconded and recommended the funds be taken from the charity account. The motion passed.
- Charitable Contribution Planning. As stated at the 9 Dec 25 meeting, the Legion has approximately \$15,000 to donate in 2026. An initial list of potential organizations was crafted. Due to the low member turnout, and the unfortunate situation of having to meet in the basement, final decision making was postponed until immediately following the 10 Feb 26 joint meeting. The following contributions have been previously agreed upon:
 - \$4000 for scholarships
 - \$1000 to support Fun Run/Walk in Support of Suicide Awareness
 - \$1200 for Buckeye Boys State
 - \$1500 for Shop with a Cop (given in Dec)
 - Amount remaining to be allocated: \$7300

New Business: Brian Fowle has been appointed a Dept of Ohio delegate to attend the Washington, DC Legion Conference. National HQ is funding a portion of his travel. Discussion ensued regarding the Post funding the remainder of costs not covered by National HQ. Given that Brian did not have an accurate required amount at this early stage, the members agreed to reconsider once details become available.

Correspondence: Received a thank you note from active duty member Micah McCracken for the Post deciding to pay his membership dues for the year.

Sick Call: NSTR

Chaplain: Excused absence.

Commander's Comments: None.

There being no further business to come before the membership, the meeting was adjourned at 8:14 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dan Elmore
Adjutant

Melissa Fowle
Commander