

**MINUTES OF THE DEPARTMENT DISASTER RELIEF COMMITTEE 1pm  
OCTOBER 1, 2022 @ DEPARTMENT HEADQUATERS**

The Meeting was called to order by Chairman Tom Marciciak at 1PM with the following members present:

Leon Reed, 1<sup>st</sup> Div. Chairman Tom Marciciak, 2nd Div. Vice Chairman Denver Phelps, 4<sup>th</sup> Div. and Wayne Madson, 5<sup>th</sup> Div.

The 5 remaining members of the Committee were absent and we need 1 new additional member from the 4<sup>th</sup> Division to fill a vacant slot on the Committee.

Due to the possible Natural Disasters that might occur in any Divisions of the State at any time, it is necessary for a full complement of members in attendance at our future meetings. We have been very, very lucky to this point.

A salute to the colors, pledge of allegiance and an invocation for the success of our meeting, all Legion Family Members and their travels were given.

There was a discussion of the Hurricane devastation in Florida and the Carolinas. The Dept. of Illinois is thinking of sending Buddy Check Letters to Illinois Legion members that live in the affected areas. We hope that all of the American Legion Family members/posts will get the help they need at this time from National and Local Posts with applications for NEF and TFA grants and other means of reimbursements from Governmental Agency & Private Insurance Funding.

At your Post, District and Division meetings, please mention the National and Department grants exactly what they cover and monetary amounts for each. Keep copies on hand, you never know when or if you may need them. They are on LINE. Make sure that members are up to date with their memberships!

Wayne Madson did mention that there was flooding in the Nashville, Illinois area a couple of months ago but there were no grant applications submitted.

If any members of the Committee require additional Vests, Magnets for cars or Legion Disaster Relief ID Business Cards please let the Chairman know.

With no further business to cover, there was a motion to adjourn the meeting, it passed and the meeting adjourned at 1:35pm.

