

SAL Squadron 552 Meeting Minutes
28 May 2026

The meeting was called to order by 1st Vice Commander Neil Halpen to conduct the business to come before Squadron 552; the meeting started at 1809 hours.

The opening ceremony consisted of Chaplain's prayer, Pledge of Allegiance, and reading of the Preamble to the Constitution of the Sons of the American Legion. The meeting quorum was met with the attendance of six members.

Meeting minutes of the last meetings were read with no change; accordingly, they stand as published.

Finance Officer: The status of funds was provided and questions were answered.

UNFINISHED/OLD BUSINESS (via the notes from the previous two meetings): It was recommended during the March meeting that a cleaning contractor be contacted for bids due to the lack of cleanliness in the kitchen, restrooms, and elsewhere. The VFW Commander and SAL Representative Mike Hill said this would be a matter of the then scheduled monthly facility meeting. It was reported the matter was brought up but there are other issues that need attention. At this meeting, the membership again asked Mike Hill to address this deplorable situation. This is both a health and safety issue due to the kitchen cleanliness.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Nominations were again requested for the elected officer positions followed by the election. Jeremy Milam was the sole nomination for Commander and elected; 1st Vice Commander Sean Davis was the sole nominee and elected; 2nd Vice Commander nominations were Steve Smitz and Corey Blount; Corey Blount was elected. All three elected were per unanimous vote of those present. The appointed positions are Adjutant/Finance Officer Jack Porath and Chaplain Steve Smitz.
2. SAL shirts were discussed and it was resolved to work with Gabe Rowin to obtain the shirts.
3. It was recommended and approved to move the bank account to Chase Bank so it can be easily identified as belonging to Post 552 since both use the same FEIN for tax purposes.
4. Post 552 Commander is suggesting a monthly meeting with the Commanders of VFW, Legion, SAL, and the Auxiliary that all who were present concurred with. A collaborative project could be a fish-fry.

GOOD AND WELFARE OF THE SONS OF THE LEGION: Members are encouraged to check the American Legion website at www.americanlegion552.org for minutes of past meetings and advise the Adjutant when there is a change of address and/or email.

CLOSING ceremony followed and the meeting ended 1852 hours.

/s/ Signed 29 May 2026
J. R. PORATH
Adjutant and Treasurer