

## Minutes of the General Membership Meeting on 28 April 2015

Meeting called to order at 7:01 pm. by Joe Salvia, Title: Commander

Opening ceremonies were conducted:

( X ) Colors in Place ( X ) Colors Posted ( X ) Opening Prayer ( X ) Pledge recited ( X ) Preamble recited

### Roll Call of Officers

TITLE	NAME	PRESENT	EXCUSED	ABSENT
Commander	Joseph M. Salvia	X		
1 <sup>st</sup> Vice Commander	Jack Weber		X	
2 <sup>nd</sup> Vice Commander	Michael Willihnganz	X		
Adjutant	Bear Hall	X		
Finance Officer	Roger Brooks	X		
Chaplin	Jerry Mantela	X		
Judge Advocate	Dennis Powers	X		
Public Relations	Gordon Muir	X		
Service Officer	Joe Sutschek	X		
Provost Marshall	Robert Matheson		X	
Historian	Larry Shaver	X		
Trustee	Frank Kidd	X		
Trustee	John Robinson	X		
Trustee	Richard Reading	X		

Review/Reading of Minutes – Minutes from March. Motion Muir, Second Powers, Discussion and Voice vote passes

Guests: Jack and Jane Purslow, Shelby Hall, Kent Clark, Ron, Phil Sedlock, Charlie Brock, Mike Kotas, Glen Avers, Ron Joswiak and W. Kent Clarke Jr.

### Report of Officers

**Adjutant:** Correspondence: Olstevig – Mike Kowall called and Thank everyone for the lawful assembly of the Village of Milford regarding the Fallen Soldier Memorial.

**Membership:** Hall - Current membership is 178

**Chaplain:** Mantela – Lance O'Berg and Joe Waldron dealing with wives in long battles with illness. Abbey Park resident passed, Sam K. Doug Rupp wife had open heart surgery. Eric Black wife being treated for cancer.

**1<sup>st</sup> Vice Commander:** Weber – No Report

**2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Commander:** Willihnganz – Optimist International running a program we might be interested in. Blessings in a Backpack.

**Finance Officer:** Finance report given and a motion were made to accept the report subject to future audit. Motion Hall was seconded Powers, Discussion and passed by voice vote.

**Judge Advocate:** Powers – assisted living – Spouses cannot enter until the Veteran is in assisted living or passed away.

**Public Relations:** Muir – Past 2 or 3 weeks working with the press for the Fallen Soldier Memorial. Great turn out for Michigan Fallen Soldier at the Village meeting.

**Service Officer:** Sutschek – Bob got his VA card. New hearing aids coming. Aid and Attendance program for Abbey Park Resident, must be 100% disabled. NO financial limits as of March 24<sup>th</sup>.

**Provost Marshall:** Kidd – No Report

**Historian:** Shaver – No Report

**Trustees:** Kidd – Attended Fallen Soldier Banquet, Proud of how they represented the Post.

### **Special Committee Reports**

#### **Start Helmet Passing**

**Southern Command Report:** Waldron – Nice presentation last week from Phil and the War Dog Memorial.

**MWD Report:** Phil – Thank for AMVETS for Color Guard in April 18<sup>th</sup>. Restoration on the West side of the Cemetery. Frinday May 29<sup>th</sup>.

**Honor/Color Guard Report:** Salvia – Possible Funeral Thurs. Fri. Friday Independence Village in Brighton about 12:15. Saturday Special Olympics Event. MHS noon relay for Life. May 16<sup>th</sup> Founders Day. VFW Flag retirement also that day at 2 PM.

**Executive Meeting Minutes:** Attached.

**Unfinished Business:** Nominations of Officer in April. 2<sup>Nd</sup> nomination in May and Voting. Suspend order of Business. Mantela – Sign up sheet for Flag Sales.

**New Business:** Nominations of Officers – Phil got 12 more pictures in for new Picture board. May 9<sup>th</sup> Town Hall meeting in Novi. Vietnam War memorial at Northville High School May 5th. August 8, DAV 125 is hosting a picnic and Car show, includes all you can eat for Veterans. DAV website has a bit of the information. County will also have some information. VFW on Duck Lake raffling off a 10-22 Ruger. May 8<sup>th</sup> Steak Night, May 9<sup>th</sup> County breakfast all you can eat. American Legion officers here thanks for coming.

#### **Good and Welfare of the Post:**

Total Attendance (Count Off) = 67 Total members

50/50 drawing - \$110 winner – Bob

Helmet Passing: - \$ 152 from Helmet passing towards Fallen Soldier Memorial

Closing Prayer and Ceremonies

Meeting adjourned at 8:24 pm.

Respectively submitted,

Bear Hall, Adjutant

# Minutes of the Executive Board Meeting on April 20th, 2015

Meeting called to order at 6:05 pm by, Commander Joe Salvia

OFFICER	NAME	PRESENT	EXCUSED	ABSENT
Commander	Joseph M. Salvia	X		
1 <sup>st</sup> Vice Commander	Jack Weber	X		
2 <sup>nd</sup> Vice Commander	Michael Willihnganz		X	
Adjutant	Bear Hall	X		
Finance Officer	Roger Brooks	X		
Chaplain	Jerry Mantela	X		
Judge Advocate	Dennis Powers	X		
Public Relations	Gordon Muir	X		
Service Officer	Joe Sutschek	X		
Provost Marshall	Robert Matheson	X		
Historian	Larry Shaver		X	
Trustee	Frank Kidd	X		
Trustee	John Robinson	X		
Trustee	Richard Reading		X	

## Guests: No Guests

- Brooks – Finance Report, \$5,883.23 Bank Balance
- Salvia – Brain Injury went well. Coming up 4/25 Fallen Wounded Soldiers. Mail Call we need to get a Mail NCO. Membership photos needed.
- Mantela – Jacket guy will have a sample for us at Meeting.
- Muir - No stories from AMVET yet. Will find out why.
- New Business – New Nominations in April, May Elections. Flag Fundraiser in June 14<sup>th</sup>.
- Powers – Assisted living for Vets needs to be looked at.
- Brooks – Thank you for Jerry Cooper visitation.

Motion to Adjourn 6:28, Hall, Second Muir, Discussion and voice vote passes.

Respectfully submitted,  
Bear Hall, Adjutant