

Minutes of the General Membership Meeting on September 22, 2015

Meeting called to order at 7:02 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 st Vice Commander	Jack Weber	X		
2 nd Vice Commander	Michael Willihnganz	X	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		

Minutes: Reviewed minutes, Motion to Approve Powers, Second Cartwright, Discussion, Voice vote passes

Guests: Shelby Hall, Jim Atlas, Ray Russell, Roger Althouse, Jane and Jack Purslow Glen Warner

Motion to suspend regular order of Business Hall, Second Weber, Discussion, Voice Vote passes.

Presentation by Roger Althouse, in the name of his son who passed in January, Craig. A check was presented to the AMVETs. Check present in the amount of \$3,000. Thank you Althouse family.

Check presented by Glen Warner to the Military War Dog memorial fund. \$453.30

Motion to resume the regular order of business Hall, second Weber, Discussion, Voice vote passes.

Report of Officers

1st Vice Commander: Weber – No Report

2nd Vice Commander: Willihnganz – No Report

Adjutant: Correspondence, Letter from the YMCA for a donation to the annual campaign for 2016. A donation from the Grand River Trail Chapter of the NSDAR.

Membership: Moore – Current membership is 190 members.

Chaplain: Mantela – Gordie Kimball still getting ready for his procedure. Jack Bakers son needs prayers. Joe Waldron keep him in your prayers. Henry Storm still doing OK, 90% better. Thomas Baker back home.

Finance Officer: Brooks – Finance report given and a motion were made to accept the report subject to future audit. Motion Powers was seconded Waldron discussion and passed by voice vote.

Judge Advocate: Powers – VA mortgage can do so at the rate the veterans has. Tuesday Oct 8, Senator Kowall special event for Vets on Hall of State grounds. VFW sponsoring a VAN from the LaFontaine auto center. Preregister is needed.

Public Relations: Muir – early October WWII veterans for Lunch.

Service Officer: Sutschek – No Report

Provost Marshall: Kidd – No Report

Historian: Shaver – Request for pictures and articles read or received from Newspaper.

Trustees: Robinson – Lance O'Berg had 30 anniversary. From 6-10 PM took donations for wounded veteran. Collect \$2,803.76 for this veteran.

Special Committee Reports

Start Helmet Passing

Southern Command Report: Bell – playback of music from 1930's and 1940's. Very enjoyable to them. Oct 9th they are visiting the Yankee air museum. Establishing a contribution to the library of WWII articles, books and magazines. Planning for Veterans Day ceremonies. 36 participants last months meeting.

MWD Report: Phil – summer winding down. Made great strides with the restoration. Recognize one of Veterans for his assistance, Jim Root. Remind a Red Wing Hockey game, 2nd weekend in December.

Honor/Color Guard Report: Robinson – Color Guard MIS event. Had an Event at Muir Middle School for 9/11 event. Highland Heritage festival kick-off, largest color guard to date 16 participants. This Saturday returning home Marine.

Executive Meeting Minutes: Attached. Motion to Accept Minutes as presented Muir, Second Robinson. Discussion and voice vote passes.

Quarter Master: Mantela – Winter is coming Jackets will be in soon, 6 jackets are in.

Unfinished business: Vet Net Directory for Skills – Formulating the youths – Second Wednesday of the Month Social Night at VFW. Williams – packing party coming. Motion to Donate \$150 for packing party Hall, Second Cartwright, Discussion and Voice passes. Motion to Donate \$100 to K9 Fund, Weitlauf, Second, Discussion and Voice Votes Passes.

New business: Medal awarded to Roger Althouse for his donation to the post. GLNC headstone cleaning, September 26th. 10 AM

Good and Welfare of the Post: Frank awarded, Collected \$94 for the homecoming Marine Flagpole. Hurd – shirts for War Dog, Oakman sold 3 already.

Total Attendance (Count Off) = 66 Total members

50/50 drawing - \$ 112 winner – Richard Faulkner

Helmet Passing: - \$ 137.50 from Helmet passing

Closing Prayer and Ceremonies

Meeting adjourned at 8:11 pm.

Respectively submitted,

Bear Hall, Adjutant

Minutes of the Executive Board Meeting on October 19th, 2015

Meeting called to order at 6:10 pm by, Commander Joe Salvia

OFFICER	NAME	PRESENT	EXCUSED	ABSENT
Commander	Joseph M. Salvia	X		
1 st Vice	Jack Weber	X		
2 nd Vice	Michael Willihnganz	X		
Adjutant	Bear Hall	X		
Finance Officer	Roger Brooks	X		
Chaplain	Jerry Mantela	X		
Judge Advocate	Dennis Powers	X		
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: Joe Bishop, John Moore

- Veterans Day Ceremonies -
 - Marine Corps League Ball Nov6
 - Veterans Day Parade in Detroit Nov 7 9 am
 - Lakeland High Nov 10 11 am
 - VFW Ceremony Highland 11/11 9 am
 - Abbey Park Ceremony 11/11 ???
 - Kurtz Elementary 11/11 9:30
 - Central Park Veterans Ceremony 11/11 11 am
 - Dolson Elementary 11/11 2 PM
 - Rose Pioneer 11/11 2:30
 - MHS 11/12 11 am
 - MPVA Dinner 11/13
 - Sunday 11/8 West Highland Baptist Church 7 PM
 - Independence Village 11/4 2 PM
- Legion relationship – Social night ^{1st} Wednesday of the month – Send out meeting notice Game Night
- Every 3 years weapons need to be re-inventoried – Needs to be done
- Need new Quarter Master
- Monday 21st Dec Social at Legion
- Bishop - Huron Valley, new members needed.
- Reading – Story about Highland Twp Ranger.
- Muir – Thursday 10/22 at 12:30 Highland House WWII Veterans Lunch was supposed to be Smoke Street.

- Muir – Red wings game is \$58 Phil wants AMVETS to pay \$20 for each the tickets. Limit to 20 tickets. Game is on Dec 10th. Second, Shaver, Discussion – Robinson feels should be open to everyone not just 20 based on by-laws. Prorate to \$400 maximum. Voice vote and Defeated.
- \$12021.83 bank balance. Membership payments up to date.
- Shaver – ladies want articles about our members. Photo boards to Activity center.
- Correspondence -
- Motion we Move our Executive Board Meeting to Comeback Inn, Second Powers Discussion and Voice Vote Passes

Motion to Adjourn 7:21, Weber, Second Matheson, Discussion and voice vote passes.

Respectfully submitted,
Bear Hall, Adjutant