

## **Membership Meeting Minutes for November 11, 2023**

The meeting was called to order by President Marla Berkshire at 11:00 am.

Gary Carlile led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Chappy Dennis Chapman led the opening prayer.

The Roll Call of Officers resulted in 12 present, 2 excused.

A motion to accept the new and renewal of memberships for September with no additions or corrections was made by Rebecca and seconded by Marla and passed.

A motion to accept the minutes from the previous meeting with no additions or corrections was made by Joey and seconded by Charlie and passed.

A motion to accept the financial report with no additions or corrections was made by Jim and seconded by Pam and passed.

### **Agenda:**

- The Board approved for 2 new Roku TV's to be purchased and they were delivered Wednesday.
- Board approved to donate \$500.00 to the Howard County Benelovent Fund.
- Board approved to add \$871.73 to the Santa Walk to bring the total to \$2100.00 to support 3 families at \$700.00 each to buy gifts and food for Christmas.
- Board approved the reunion bands to play on Thursday thru Saturday. Monday thru Wednesday will be a build up to the bands and more family friendly. Committees will be formed for the Monday-Wednesday events along with more organizations to assist veterans.
- Board approved for the Backyard BBQ to be moved to the 2<sup>nd</sup> weekend of June so more people are able to attend the meeting.
- Getting rid of abandoned campers.
- No Trolley was taken to the veteran's parade as there was no nurse available to be with the patients.
- Veteran's day Cards were brought from 1<sup>st</sup> graders and they were taken to Jackson Street.
- Bricks need to be turned in by August 1<sup>st</sup> no exceptions.
- Lisa and Mark Overman are going to work on the Memorial Wall.
- Fire Truck needs maintenance.
- Speaker/sound system was purchased by Dennis Chapman to be used on the grounds. Thank you, Dennis.
- Congratulations to Terry Hamilton who was named Head Trustee.

- Golden Corral in Lafayette is hosting a veteran's dinner on the November 13<sup>th</sup> from 5-9pm
- Windfall Tavern – not sure how much was raised but will find out next week.
- The Universal Joint on the batwing was taken to Moore's to be repaired.
- Thank you to Chuck, Trian, and Jerry for mowing.
- An estimate is being done for the big yellow trailer to repair. Cliff stated the steel is good, so the repair would be feasible. Ron stated the I69 Trailer Sales offered \$8-10,000 for the trailer site unseen.
- Fridge in the kitchen needs a new condenser and is slated to be repaired.
- Daniel fixed the back hoe for \$20.00 replacing seals and the fuel injector pump.
- Cliff suggested getting carbon monoxide detectors for the Day Room and wondered what the BTUs were on the furnace and that a 25,000 BTU would cost @ \$3,000.00
- Joey suggested fixing the pipe on the furnace as it is crooked and Karla suggested getting the pipe cleaned. Cleaning logs have been purchased and used.
- Mike Derry stated that there was 13 MIA brought home in 2023 and these will start to be posted on the web page when available.
- Camping forms will be available soon on the webpage along with a current map. Starting in the spring, the East side will be remeasured.
- Marla wanted to thank everyone for all their hard work and that it was appreciated.
- Bylaw Committee: Will consist of Nicole Barnhill the Recording Secretary, Chaplain Dennis Chapman, Vice-President Jerry Adams, Members Trian Barnhill and Jim Proffit. Nicole will take any and all suggestions for the By-Law committee. There is a box by the back door to place suggestions in.
- Board approved \$3,000.00 to be donated back to the building fund. Motion was made by Jim Proffit, seconded by Stephanie Proffit and passed.
  - Jackie asked about a blue print for the building and was there going to be a committee for the building. Marla stated there was going to be a building committee formed. The cost of the building could be @ \$250,000.00, if hired completely done.

The motion to adjourn the meeting at 11:45am was made by Stan and seconded by Jerry and passed.