



Vietnam Veterans of America
Chapter 1089 Rutherford County TN

MEETING MINUTES – JANUARY 2017

Meeting called to order at 6:35 pm
Invocation was given by Dave Clatterbuck
Pledge of Allegiance was led by Eddie Lynch

Officers present included Jerry Born, Eddie Lynch, Ken Bergman, Gary Robinson, Keith Rudlaff, David Clatterbuck, Joan Whitt, Roger Lanphere, Ray Albrecht

Committee Reports:

Minutes were presented and approved.
Treasurer's report was presented by Joan Whitt and approved.
Secretary reports 88 active members as of 11/10/2016

Old Business:

Reminder letters – One expiring membership in January 2017. Reminder letter sent.

Ebay Account Activity – Mike Cowger's brother-in-law will make offer for the 15' lift

Ray Albrecht took oath of office as 2nd Vice President and Roger Lanphere took oath of office as Director

State magazine has been canceled. \$100.00 check returned to Chapter

Founding member Clarence Williams passed away on November 16, 2016

New Business:

Sick Call: Mike Porter continues with treatments for cancer. He is home.
Bill Pruskowski is undergoing cancer treatments

New Members: No new members

Visitor: No visitors

Motion was made to purchase a new trailer (5' by 10'). There is a possibility that Loew's will sell it at a discount price. Motion was seconded and approved by membership.

Motion was made to purchase a new cell phone for use by the Chapter. Members recommended that we select the provider that will offer the least expensive option. Motion was seconded and approved by membership.

Wooden ramp was donated to the Chapter. Keith Rudlaff, Gary Robinson, Dave Clasterbuck and Ken Bergman took down ramp. It will be assembled at the home of a Chapter member.

The Christmas party was considered a success and membership is agreeable to a spring party. This issue will be discussed at a future meeting.

Chapter will be presenting a plaque to the 1st United Methodist Church in appreciation of the offer to hold the Chapter monthly meetings at their location.

Mike Cowger continues to need in-country pictures from members. Pictures may be sent to him at mjcowger@gmail.com. Or by jpicks.

Mobility Update – Phil LaPrad gave a review of the activity since the last meeting. He has a concern that disabled veterans in need are not aware of our mission and was asking for suggestions on how we can get our message out. Social media may not be a good idea. One suggestion is to place signs on our new trailer. This will give exposure as deliveries are made throughout the area.

AVVA News

No new business

A motion to adjourn was made and approved at 7:15pm.