



Vietnam Veterans of America

Chapter 1089 Rutherford County TN

April 16, 2016

Meeting called to order at 0910

Invocation was given by David Pitre

Pledge of Allegiance was led by Eddie Lynch

Officers present included Eddie Lynch, Jerry Born, Mike Porter, Mike Cowger, Lou Hamilton, Beale York, and Wayne McCormick.

Committee Reports:

Minutes were presented and approved.

Treasurer's report was presented and approved.

Old Business:

Guest Rob Mitchell gave an update on the Tiny House Project. Remaining trailers must be removed from the property and sewer system established before the project can begin. Owner of property will pay for the required updates.

By-Laws revisions were reviewed, discussed and approved by the membership.

New Business:

Completed the election the following new directors and officers for the period of April 16, 2016 through April 2018:

President – Jerry Born

1st Vice President – Beale York

2nd Vice President – David Pitre

Treasurer – Joan Whitt

Secretary – Ken Bergman

Sgt. At Arms – Wayne McCormack

Directors – Dave Clatterbuck, Michael Cowger, Eddie Lynch, Gary Robinson, Keith Rudlaf

Garage sale scheduled for 2nd Saturday of June (6/11) with a rain date of the 4th Saturday of June (6/25).

Tentative location of the Almadale Fire Department on One Mile Road in Smyrna.

Motion to have our Chapter man a concession stand at the Tennessee Air Show on Saturday June 4th and Sunday June 5th. Participation requires 12 volunteers each day. Participation was approved by membership. Eddie Lynch took list of volunteers. Arrival time for volunteers will be provided at the next meeting

Bob Turpin (through Jerry Bond) asked if we would allow Civil Air Patrol to provide assistance in manning concession stand for a portion of the proceeds. A motion was made to allow 4 members of the Civil Air Patrol provide assistance each day and to donate a percentage of the profits at the completion of the Air show. The percentage of the donation will be determined once the profits have been determined. The motion was approved by the membership.

Our Chapter has also received approval to set up a Viet Nam Veterans booth.

State Council Meeting to be held at the VA Hospital Auditorium (building 107) at 11:00 AM on Sunday April 24th. Dave Clatterbuck is our Chapter representative. Our Chapter will provide refreshments. Volunteers should arrive by 9:00 AM.

A number of Officers and Directors meet with members of the United Methodist Church on North Thompson Lane (near the VA Hospital) regarding the use of their facilities for our monthly meetings. Jerry Born is waiting for a response. A motion was made to proceed with the request and was approved by the membership.

Phil LaPrad, Chairman for Mobility Service, provided an update. Phil, Keith and Gary were providing assistance to a disabled Iraq veteran with terminal cancer. The veteran and his wife were very appreciative for their help. The veteran passed away.

Phil continues to need extra help for the volunteer work each Wednesday. If anyone wishes to help you can call him at 615-768-1204.

In addition, the Chapter is required to assign a value to each piece of equipment in our storage unit. The inventory will be taken at 9:00 AM on Thursday April 21st. Mike Cowger volunteered to help.

Member Clarence Williams had heart surgery at Vanderbilt. While at the hospital his wife broke her ankle. Phil indicated that the Chapter can provide a wheel chair for Clarence and his wife as soon as needed.

Meeting was adjourned at 10:35AM.