



## Chapter 941 Meeting Minutes

December 16, 2013

*Present:* Larry Nicholson, Larry Reed, Dave, Brunsvold, Wayne Ellefson, Jan Jorgensen, Russ Stabler, Larry Kessel, Dave Rice, Steve Perrault, Joe Wallevand, Lyn Berkland, Ronn DuRand, Paul Hyndman, Duke Johnson, Les Forman, Bob Harris, Bruce Knopp, and Wayne Wermager

*Next meeting:* January 19, 2014 at 7:00 PM at O'Kelly's

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- I. **Call to Order:** Larry Nicholson called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM and led the chapter in the Pledge of Alligence to the flag and a moment of silence for our POW/MIAS and soldiers in harm's way.

**Prayer:** Wayne Wermager led the chapter in a prayer for the meeting and our soldiers on active duty.

- II. **Reports:**

- A. **Agenda:** The agenda for the meeting was presented and reviewed by the chapter. Motion by Larry Reed to Approve the agenda, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Duke Johnson. Motion Carried
- B. **Minutes:** Minutes were read by the chapter. Motion by Russ Stabler to accept minutes with 2<sup>nd</sup> made by Duke Johnson. Motion carried
- C. **Membership:** Report was given by Jan Jorgenson, we have 174 Members active VVA and 40 AVVA Roster. We have some inactive members in both areas that have renewed or are renewing , one new Life Member and a transfer. Jan also reported she would be persuing missing DD Form 214's. Motion to accept report made by Larry Reed, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dave Brunsvold. Motion carried.

**D.Treasurer's Report:** Dave Brunsvold the chapters finances. Starting Balance was \$9,865.65, deposits of \$550.00, expenditures of \$1,636.80, earned interest of \$0.07, with a ending balance of \$8, 779.22. Motion to approve by Russ Stabler, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Bob Harris. Motion Carried.

- E. **Public Affairs Report:** Wayne Ellefson presented his report to the chapter. Motion to approve made by Wayne Wermager, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jan Jorgensen. Motion carried.

- F. **Color Guard Report:** Russ Stabler gave the report on activities since the last meeting and three (3) events scheduled for January. Motion to approve made by Joe Wallevand, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dave Rice. Motion Carried

- G. Legislative Report:** Russ Stabler reported there are several bills in the House and Senate affecting veterans. Russ has collected information from several sites and will send them to Les Bakke for putting on the web site. Motion to approve made by Ronn DuRand, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Steve Perrault. Motion carried.

### III. Old Business

- A. **Tent:** President Larry Nicholson started the discussion on a tent for events involving the chapter. Larry stated he was hoping for a motion to authorize it's purchase. Dave Brunsvold stated the cost would be \$800.00 plus, but was not sure of the exact price. Dave said he would have a report ready for the next chapter meeting. Also discussed was how and where to put the chapter logo. Motion to authorize was tabled till the next chapter meeting.
- B. **Mission Statement:** Paul Hyndman and Larry Nicholson presented the members with a copy of the mission statement. Motion by Russ Stabler to accept the mission statement, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Wayne Ellefson. Motion carried
- C. **Audit Committee:** Russ Stabler reported he has spoken with two members of the committee and an audit will be conducted in January before the next meeting
- D. **Children's Christmas Party:** Larry reported on the party held December 7<sup>th</sup> at Globe University. Larry thanked all members who helped out.
- E. **Bike Night/Valley Vintage:** Larry reported on the meeting held December 12<sup>th</sup> on upcoming activities..

### IV. New Business

- A. **Santacon Pub Crawl/ Homeless Vets:** Larry Nicholson suggested we may want to get in this activity to help homeless vets. More information is needed, Jan Jorgensen volunteered to lead this task.
- B. **Vietnam Veterans Recognition Day:** Will be March 29<sup>th</sup> and the VFW in West Fargo will again host the event. They will be serving Chili and having door prizes and all Vietnam Veterans are welcome to attend.
- C. **New American Legion Post:** Dave Rice reported there is going to be a meeting about a new post in West Fargo on December 17<sup>th</sup> at 7 PM for anyone interested in starting the new post. The meeting will be held downstairs at the VFW in West Fargo. Dave stated to start the new post they will need 10 new members after that members wanting to can transfer in.
- D. **Brat Sales:** Dave Brunsvold will submit for two dates for Hornbacher's. Sunmart will not be contacted or considered for sales.

**E. Barnsville Legion Post:** Has a steak fry on Sat, everyone is invited according to Bob Harris.

**F. VAVS:** Russ Stabler Mentioned a reminder from Jim Haukedahl about VAVS at the Fargo VA. More information is needed, Les Forman will attend the next VAVS Meeting and get back to the chapter, topic was tabled until then.

**V. Meeting Adjourned**

The Chapter rendered a hand salute and the meeting was adjourned by President Nicholson at 1953.

Submitted by  
Russel Stabler