



**Vietnam Veterans of America  
Northern Warriors Chapter 941  
18 March 2013  
Kelly Inn-3800 Main Ave., Fargo, ND  
1900 Hours**

**President Nicholson called the meeting to order at 1900.**

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**Prayer by Wermager**

**Members present:** Larry Nicholson, Wayne Ellefson, Larry Reed, David Brunsvold, Art Williams, Joe Bennett, Cory Bennett, Ronn DuRand, Paul Hyndman, Bob Harris, Jim Nypen, Wayne Ellefson, Ed Ahomen, Wayne Wermager, Mark Helfter, Helda Helfter, Bob Wolter and Les Bakke

**Approval of Agenda:**

Brunsvold/Williams moved to approved an amended agenda. Motion carried.

**Secretary's Report**

Report accepted as posted

**Treasurer's Report**

Beginning Balance	\$7,897.23
Expenses	\$1,146.00
Income	\$ 360.63
Ending Balance (18 March 2013)	\$7,112.00

Williams/Bennett moved to approved the treasurer's report. Motion carried.

**Public Affairs:** Ellefson reported on recent activities. Ellefson distributed a sign-up sheet for upcoming activities.

Nypen/Williams moved to accept report. Motion carried.

**Membership Report:** Nicholson provided a brief update.

**Color Guard Report:** Brunsvold reported on St. Patrick's Day parade.

**Old Business**

**Retreat:** Nicholson will schedule our chapter planning retreat for the early April.

**Korean War Celebration:** 7 April 1330 at the Fargo Air Museum. Need 5-6 people to assist.

**July 4 10K Run:** Nicholson, Brunsvold and Bakke met with Bonazaville representatives with the Run as the beginning event for their all day July 4 festivities. Bonanzaville will assist in promotion. All proceeds will go to our chapter.

**Mug Purchase:**

Ellefson/Reed moved to approve the purchase of 72 mugs. Motion carried.

**Veterans Picnic:** Bakke provided a report and asked for a donation. Date is 30 May 2013.

Williams/Nypen moved to donate \$300 to the event. Motion carried.

**New Business**

**State Picnic:** Brunsvold reported on progress. Chapter representatives will go to the Sate meeting on Saturday to develop more planning details. The event will be held at the West Fargo Fairgrounds. July 19, 20 and 21 are the dates.

**Vietnam Veterans Week:** Nicholson reported that the Air Museum may hold something in late May.

**Bennett Park:** Bennett introduced Rachel Antoine who works with young people and dance classes. Antoine presented a request for funds. Nypen/Williams moved to approve \$350 to the project. Motion carried.

**Correspondence:** Nicholson reported on Vietnam Veterans Day of North Dakota on 29 March.

**Legislative:** Nicholson reported that four chapter members went to Bismarck for legislative activities related to Veterans. Nypen provided a summary of the events.

**Mileage:**

Bakke/Ellefson moved to reimburse Brunsvold for the cost of the trip to Bismarck.

Motion carried.

**Recognition:** Nicholson reported that our pastor, Ray Branstiter is moving out of the area.

**Nominations:** Officer nominations will be at our April and May meetings with the election at the May meeting. New officers take office in June.

**SunMart Burger and Brats Sales:** Reed and Brunsvold reported on the event. We have committed to 13-14 June and 15-16 August.

**Fargo Marathon:** Nicholson reported on possible work at the 18 May Fargo Marathon.

**Upcoming Events**

Toppers Car Show – April 6-7

Korean War Celebration – April 7

Moorhead Bennett Park Cleanup – April 29 – May 5

North Dakota Vietnam Veterans Day - March 29 – West Fargo VFW

VA Stand Down – 1 May at Fargo Dome

Meeting adjourned at 1955.

Respectfully submitted,

Les Bakke, Secretary