

Wareham Veterans Council Meeting

April 4th, 2018

Roll Call: Joseph Fitman (voting member), Skip Sarnelli, Julio Roderick, Paul Giegle, William RC White, Guests: Jean Sarnelli, Eileen Klaver. Brian Litchfield, Ken Boman, Mary McKenzie (reporter)

Announcements:

Paul Giegle – Nothing

Julio Roderick – April 20th, 5-9pm, 10\$ Benefit to fundraise, Wareham VFW. Saturday 21st, Wareham VFW 18\$ starting at 8. No meat raffle, cancelled.

Skip Sarnelli – April 23rd, Surgery, OOC for 12 days. Jordan Hospital

Joe Fitman – Green to Gold program announcement and RC position

Citizens comments:

Ken Boman, life member VFW and Legion, looking to be an active member of the council.

Reports:

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Skip Sarnelli – General Pho introduced Skip to man he needs to speak to for flag stand. Received a gold toe flag stand. In good, but not new condition. Should resolve issue. Added two more events to the event list. Adding a stone with a plaque, which will commemorate the position and spot of the Moving Wall. Will need to go to Principle of school, then to school board committee.

Paul Giegle – Makes a motion to proceed with the process of planning for the commemorative stone and plaque. Motion seconded by SS. Motion carries unopposed. No estimate reported, just planning.

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Skip Sarnelli – Scholarship from the Veterans Council should start and proceed on the fundraising, will require 10,000 initial start up money, 2,000 a year for the initial 5 years. Asked for money from the town with all required forms, no response heard back. Working with friends on the needed 10,000. Looking at using the remaining money leftover from the wall to fund this scholarship.

Julio Roderick – Had the brunch Saturday, had a write-up in two newspapers, very successful. Total expenditures were \$724. Total for meet and greet and brunch came in under the anticipated cost. Also have the new markers for Memorial Day, \$754. Still need to check graves for markers, looking at second week in May, 1000-1200. Wareham Cemetery on route 28. MMA could be point of contact for the volunteers. Tootsie Russel updated the Honor Roll and gave the tags to the appropriate handler for the wall.

Paul Giegle – Flag Day, June 15th; 500\$ set aside for Flag Day Celebration with the Elks. Looking to be town-wide, collaborated with the Elks. Matt Stanton could be contact point, as well as MMA. Also looking at enhancing general flag etiquette.

Brian Litchfield – relocated his business to 2510 Cranberry Highway.

New Member Applications: 5 total applications in the process, Jean Sarnelli, Eileen Klaver, and Greg (last name?) have shown up; the other two remaining applicants have not be in attendance of any of the meetings.

Bob White: Proposal to honorably discharge the old and discarded flags, or any of the old flags from Jim Bruce's ^{Business} ~~house~~. Not an official motion, but an informal call to arms of the council to help out Jim and clear cellar.

Julio Roderick – makes a motion to adjourn the meeting, motion seconded by PG; motion carries. Meeting adjourned at 2025.