Wareham Veterans Council Minutes 1/3/2019

Call to Order: Skip Sarnelli, Chairman

Pledge of Allegiance

Attendees: Chairman Skip Sarnelli, Julio Roderick, Paul Geigle, Don King, Dennis Praino, Jean Sarnelli, Craig Schluter, Ilene Klaver, Richard Tenore

Members not it Attendance: Jim Bruce (Excused), Tootsie Russell, Joe Cappello, Evan Dolimpia, Joe Fitman (Excused), James Crockett

Guests: Matt Stanton

Approval of Minutes: 4 Corrections made (Arthur Sandlap changed to guest; Don King deleted from Roll Call; Joe Cappello (sp.); Senator Marc Pacheco (sp.); Jessica Andrews changed to Jackie Hickey). Motion made by Julio Roderick to accept minutes, seconded by Ilene Klaver.

<u>Old Business</u>: All were pleased with the venue at the VFW for the Veteran's Day Celebration.

Ongoing project of having Onset pier renamed in honor of Mike C. Besse

All flags have been removed from town cemeteries with help from middle school students

New Business:

Welcome Richard Tenore acting as Clerk in the absence of Joe Fitman.

Discussion of how Friends of the Wareham Veterans Council, Inc. are conducting events in the name of the Council and not supporting approved Council projects. This is an ongoing issue to be addressed further with the BOS.

Reports

Matt Stanton:

Local news outlets have interviewed ROTC cadets returning from college. January 12th is the first marksmanship and physical training competition for the cadets. The cadets also participated in Toys for Tots for local Wareham families for Christmas. 50 families were positively affected by their efforts.

Julio Roderick:

Previously a motion was made, seconded and passed unanimously to request \$1,000.00 from the Friends to be donated to the Seabees. This request was denied by the Friends.

Paul Geigle:

Paul has had discussions with George Ripley, Director of the Library regarding a space to house a memorabilia exhibit. The library is going through a transition and further discussions are needed to determine whether there will be temporary or permanent space available. Paul will also contact Angela Dunham to see if she is available to assist with this project. It was suggested by Don King that items should be acquired which will determine the space needed.

Next meeting planned for 21 February 2019 at 1900

Julio Roderick makes a motion to adjourn, it is seconded by Don King. The meeting is adjourned at 2003.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Richard Tenore, Clerk

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