

**MEETING MINUTES
ROCKY MOUNTAIN CHAPTER
VIETNAM HELICOPTER PILOTS ASSOCIATION
24 SEP 2016**

Call to Order: Dale House, Pres., called the meeting to order at 1520 HRS at Phil Lanphier's residence in conjunction with the chapter picnic.

Those Present:

Bill Bates	Al Harinck	Kevin Maynard
Rick Beaver	Dale House	Jim McNamee
Eric Brettschneider	Tom Jackson	Doug Neil
Carlo Cavalluzzi	Phil Lanphier	Walt Wise
John Cunningham	Greg Mann	
	George Mayl	

Meeting Minutes: The August Meeting Minutes were presented. Due to limited distribution, the minutes will be submitted for approval at the October meeting.

Treasurer's Report: Jim presented Treasures reports for 13 SEP 16. Motion to approve report by Rick, second by John C.—unanimous approval.

OLD BUSINESS:

AFTER ACTION REPORTS

Honor Flight:

The Honor Flight Welcome Home reception was held at the Signature Flight Facility located at the Denver International Airport on September 12, 2016.

There were a total of 123 veterans representing 3 different eras of conflict that participated in this event.

WWII Vets: 20

Korea Vets: 45

Vietnam Vets: 58 (Not all Vietnam Vets were Purple Heart veterans.)

If you have never attended an Honor Flight to welcome home the veterans, you don't know what you're missing. When you meet these veterans that served our country in passed conflicts and lesson to their stories, you'll soon realize we all have the same experiences in common that bind us together. Two of the Vets on this flight were especially interesting. One is the last P-38 pilot from WWII, and the other flew Air Force 1 after his tour in Korea.

I want to thank the following members and guest representing the RMCVHPA.

Terry Olson, Rick Beaver, Dale House, Bill Bates, John Mitchell, Greg Mann, Phil Lanphier, and Barbara Cavalluzzi. And a special thanks to Terry Olson for the great photo's he took of the event.

The next Honor Flight: TBA .

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Broomfield

After Actions Report Broomfield 2016

It was a Gorgeous Day in Broomfield. We moved the Museum in on Friday to accommodate Sawaya's Trucking schedule and to get the Museum set up for the Saturday event. Bill Bates, Terry Olson and George Mayl, Doug Neil, John Cunningham, Phil Lanphier, and I met the Museum in front of the Broomfield Veterans Memorial Museum on Friday where we were to be staged.

We opened at 9 o'clock along with the Broomfield Veterans Museum While Bill McPherson and his crew with the "Mike" Model Huey Gun Ship lined up for the parade. Hindsight being what it is, we realized that we should have marched in the parade with the helicopter carrying our banner, but we didn't know. We were guests of the Broomfield Veterans Museum, not so much as guest of the City of Broomfield, the organizers of "Broomfield Days".

The Museum was manned throughout the day by, Terry Olson, John Cunningham, Rick Beaver, Doug Neil, Phil Lanphier, George Mayl, Dale House, Bill Bates, Carl and Barbara Cavalluzzi, Lyle Borders made an appearance and Cliff Lawson spent most of the day taking pictures of the event. George went into his recruitment mode with the kids. I swear, there'll be no helicopter pilot shortage in 15 years.

Dave Lewis, Ed Miccio and Lew Morou of the Broomfield Veterans Museum were very appreciative of our attendance. The Broomfield Veterans Museum provided us with "passport cards" and "activity sheet", which the children would carry around to each of the displays and answer questions about what they saw and receive a stamp. The Veterans Museum also provided the electrical and water for our swamp cooler. One of the highlight of the day was a visit from Sandee Swanson, her daughter Brigid Swanson, and Jon's Brother, Tom. We had a nice visit. Tom is going to provide pictures of Jon Swanson for the Memorial section of the Web site. We had about 400 visitors Saturday. We had about \$130 in donations and \$65 dollars in merchandise transactions. Best part was the interaction with the visitors both children and adults. We had enough docents that everyone was able to take breaks throughout the day. Thanks everyone who made this a memorable event.

HELICOPTER WAR MUSEUM

A general discussion about the generator, floor and video player was mentioned. Rick wanted to form an Improvement Committee. Those volunteering at the meeting were Rick, Dale, George, Bill R and Bill B. Rick to call the first meeting.

The HWM action schedule discussion is postponed until the October Meeting.

A motion was made by Dale to by lunch for "all-day" docents at HWM actions. Seconded by John C., unanimous approval.

Members wear, Museum sales, Models

Contact Carlo for detailed information on in stock items and ordering logo clothing.

Additional Old Business

Dale passed around the post cards we are planning to send to inactive members. The post cards will be mailed and several active members will do a telephone follow up. The "Membership committee" is made up with Doug Neil, George Mayl, and Phil Lanphier which was formed at the August meeting.

Jim brought up reimbursing Bill B an additional \$277.00 overrun on the swamp cooler installation. The original budget was up to \$500. The reimbursement was approved. Phil offered that in the future, when project over runs become apparent that the project leader discuss the additional needs before proceeding. There was a consensus on that for a SOP.

NEW BUSINESS:

Greg agreed to host the annual Christmas on 3 DEC 16 at his residence.

Next Meetings: Pending confirmation with the Legion, tentatively the October meeting is scheduled for 1000 hrs. 15 OCT 16 at American Legion Post #1 in Denver.

Adjournment: Dale adjourned the meeting at 1625 hrs.

Submitted by Bill Bates
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