

**ROCKY MOUNTAIN CHAPTER
VIETNAM HELICOPTER PILOTS ASSOCIATION
19 APR 2023**

Call to Order: Dale House, Pres. called the meeting to order at 1008 Hrs.

Dale House, President, noted that those present represented a quorum for voting purposes.

Those Present:

Bill Bates

Rick Beaver

Caro Cavalluzzi

Dale House

Phil Lanphier

Cliff Lawson

Greg Mann

George Mayl

Jim McGevey

Doug Neil

Ben Prieb

Mike Silva

Chris Towne

Bob White

Zoom Attendees: Ted Carrico, John Hargleroad, Al Harinck, Don Kent, Jim McNamee, Bill Robie, Larry Tomek

Dale led the team in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Wellness check - all are OK with discussions concerning various VA developments.

Meeting Minutes: The March 2023 Meeting Minutes acceptance was postponed due to not being posted on the RMCVHPA WEB site for members to review.

Treasurer's Report: Jim McNamee presented the reports for March and April. The Treasurer's report for March and April was accepted.

Old Business

- Bill Robie reported no model sales for the last two months. The lack of Huey models is an issue. Robie reported that he hasn't received email responses from his supplier regarding a new orders.
- Clothing update
 - Carlo Cavalluzzi said there is clothing available for all members. We have an excess of medium sized items that need to be reduced in price so they can be sold and eliminated from inventory. These medium sized items can be sold to chapter family members.
 - There are 107 coins in inventory with 200 additional coins on order.
 - There are 114 chapter patches in inventory.
- Honor Flight update

- High Plains Honor Flight is scheduled for April 30 to May 1 has been moved to the Northern Colorado Regional Airport (NOCRA). Due to limited space it has been requested that the chapter members **not** participate in the welcome home ceremony on May 1.

However, there will be a six block parade route for the departing Honor Flight attendees on April 30.

Chapter members who want to participate in a welcome home can do so on an individual basis.

Additional information can be obtained at the Northern Colorado Honor Flight WEB site or contact Carl Cavalluzzi.

• **National Vietnam Memorial Museum update**

- Dale House gave a slide show highlighting his meeting with the museum curator at the National Vietnam Memorial Museum in Mineral Wells. They have interest in the RMCVHPA museum and items that are *not* on loan, when it becomes time to discontinue Museum Events. Dale and Terry will meet with Wings Over the Rockies TBD, to see what interest they have is obtaining our Museum and contents.

Event Schedule

- The museum is scheduled to be in Ft. Collins Friday, May 27, 28, 29 for the Memorial Day weekend. It includes the Traveling Wall. The museum will be delivered on May 26 and picked up on May 30.

NEW BUSINESS:

- A volunteer docent list was circulated for the Memorial Day weekend described above. Due to the retirement of our current driver, Dale will be meeting with a new driver at the museum location in Golden.

A clean-up day for the museum is scheduled for May 9 at 1000 hours.

- Phil Lanphier passed a thank you note from Fred Lyssy's wife thanking the chapter for the card and \$50.00 donation to Fred's charity by Phil Lanphier.
- The chapter museum is scheduled for the Colorado Car Counsel on August 5 (Saturday).
- The chapter museum is scheduled for the Cherry Creek School District September 9 (Saturday).
- Ben Prieb noted that there is a discussion of helicopters in Vietnam at Wings Over the Rockies this Saturday. The presenter is a former D troop 1/10 Cav member (Shamrocks).
- The American Legion has reserved wall space for the Vietnam war and requested that we supply pictures. Send pictures to Dale for review by him and the Legion staff.

Next Meeting:

- The next monthly meeting will be on Wednesday, May 17, 2023 at 1000 HRS at American Legion Post #1, I-25 and Yale.

Adjournment:

- Dale adjourned the meeting at 1110 HRS followed by Dale's slide show of his meeting at the National Vietnam War Memorial Museum.

**Submitted by Doug Neil
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