

**ROCKY MOUNTAIN CHAPTER
VIETNAM HELICOPTER PILOTS ASSOCIATION
17 January 2024**

Call to Order: Dale House, President, called the meeting to order at 1011 Hrs.
Dale House noted that those present represented a quorum for voting purposes.

Those Present:

Bill Bates
Carlo Cavalluzzi
Wick Clark
Dale House
Phil Lanphier

Cliff Lawson
Greg Mann
Jim McGrevey
Doug Neil
Rick Overstake

Mike Poindexter
Mike Silva
Chris Towne
Bob White

Zoom Attendees: Charles Bogle, Ted Carrico, John Hargleroad, Joe King, Jim McNamee, Ben Prieb

Dale House led the team in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Dale collected 2024 dues from various members.

Dale inquired if everyone was receiving email messages with the new chapter Google Group, one person's issue needed to be addressed.

Meeting Minutes: The November 2023 Meeting Minutes were accepted.

Treasurer's Report: Jim McNamee reviewed the treasurer's reports for December 2023 and January 2024. They were accepted.

- Dale gave the chapter members an update as to the issue with the HWM driver and the reason for the City Park cancellation. It was an internal trucking company issue.
- A notice of invitation for a parade in Hawaii for Vietnam veterans was passed around.
- The next VHPA reunion is in Reno, NV. Additional information from VHPA will follow.
- Bill Bates ordered lunch.

Old Business

• **Clothing update:**

- Carlo Cavalluzzi said there is clothing available for all members. Although some items are becoming low in inventory, he wants to see order requests before ordering additional items.
- T-shirts, Coins and patches are available.
- No chapter T-shirts were sold due to the cancelation of the museum at the Veterans Day venue.

• **American Legion Vietnam Wall**

- The plan for Vietnam pictures on the Legion wall has been changed and pictures will no longer be needed.
- Dale will check to verify that the submitted pictures are linked from our RMCVHPA WEB site to Shutterfly.

Mahogany Models

- Dale reported that Bill Robie has sold one model (type unknown) at the barber shop. Two additional models have been sold to members. Terry Olson has four of the new models in inventory.

Wings Over the Rockies

- No WoR update.

• Honor Flight update:

- High Plains Honor Flight is not scheduled for a flight until May 2024. Additional information museum can be obtained on their WEB site.
- Denver Honor Flight has flights scheduled for 4/18-20; 5/23-25; 9/5-7.
- Carlo said that channel 9 TV station was surprised that there was another honor flight other than the Denver Honor Flight, that being High Plains. They would look into addressing funding for High Plains.
- Charles Bogle is looking into the status of the Colorado Springs Honor Flight.

• National Vietnam Memorial Museum

- Charles Bogle said the activities for the museum continue in Mineral Wells. Activities continue at the Baker and Crazy Water Hotels.

NEW BUSINESS:

Event Schedule:

- Memorial Day at the Colorado Freedom Memorial.

The Aviator:

- Dale said The Aviator is transitioning to a quarterly publication.
- Although there is not a lot of information for the next issue, Dale read the article he plans to submit focused on maintaining or renewing ties with aviator friends.
- Dale recommended reading the letter to the editor by Mike Sheuerman in the November/December issue of The Aviator.

- Dale noted that the book *Undaunted Valor* is being made into a movie. Subsequent discussion about Lam Son ensued. Rick Overstake relayed a poignant Lam Son event.
- Carlo said that the AAAA scholarship has planed a meeting in Denver at the Gaylord Hotel on April 24-26.

- ***Greg Mann announced that the Christmas party at his house is scheduled for December 7.***
 - ***9453 Southern Hills Circle***
 - ***Lone Tree, CO 80124***

Next Meeting:

- The next monthly meeting will be on Wednesday, February 20, 2024 at 1000 HRS at American Legion Post #1, I-25 and Yale.

Adjournment:

- Dale adjourned the meeting at 11:07HRS.

Submitted by Doug Neil
Secretary

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