

DRAFT MEETING MINUTES
ROCKY MOUNTAIN CHAPTER
VIETNAM HELICOPTER PILOTS ASSOCIATION
17 APR 2019

Call to Order: Dale House, Pres., called the meeting to order at 1001Hrs at American Legion Post No. 1, I-25 & Yale. He led the Pledge of Allegiance. Self-introductions were waived.

Those Present:

Bill Bates	Greg Mann	Terry Olson
Rick Beaver	Jim McNamee	Bill Robie
Dick Compton	Joe Minkiewicz	Bob White
Dale House	Phil Lanphier	Walt Wise
Cliff Lawson	Doug Neil	

Meeting Minutes: The March Meeting Minutes were presented. *Moved to approve, as amended by by Greg Mann and seconded by Cliff Lawson, unanimous approval. Amendment are: Correct names to David Richter and Patrick Parkhill.*

Treasurer's Report: The Treasurer's report for 11 APR 2019 was passed around to the members present. *Moved to approve, as presented, by Greg and seconded by Rick, unanimous approval.*

Jim distributed a copy of RMCVHPA 2018 Change in Financial Position report with dates from January 1, 2018 through December 31, 2018. The report currently is a cash only reflecting income and expenses. Future updates will include inventory of models , clothing, patches, challenge coins, etc.

Jim will not post the Chapter's financial statements on the chapter's WEB site but he will email a copy to anyone who requests a copy. This is in addition to the Treasurer's Report distributed at the monthly meeting.

Jim passed around a picture of RMCVHPA members from 18 years ago, a fine looking bunch of young men!

Old Business

The RMCVHPA chapter WEB site has a drop in hits from and average of app. 1100/ Mo to 226/Mo. No explanation as of yet.

AFTER ACTION REPORTS

- No one attended the Vietnam Veteran Day sponsored by the Vietnamese community at the Civic Center Plaza in Lakewood.
- Terry provided a CD showing the moving of “Sweet Sioux” Mike Model Huey to the diorama located at Wings Over the Rockies museum. He said the diorama looks good but no mannequins are set up yet.
 - Wings Over the Rockies is interested in obtaining additional VN artifacts either loan or donate. Contact Krista at 303-360-6360x121 or email Matt at mburchette@wingsmuseum.org.
 - Jim mentioned that Jerry Marshall had a tail rotor blade that might be of interest. Jim also stated that Carl Cavalluzzi may have additional memorabilia.
 - “Sweet Sioux” will be dedicated May 19 at 1730-1930.
- Dale asked if there were any unit reunions or activities to report, there were none.
 - Bill mentioned that Tracy Nazarenous with Crusade Valor for Veterans helped a vet relocate three long horn steers to another veteran’s location.

OLD BUSINESS:

Helicopter War Museum

- A message will be sent to members for museum maintenance and clean up, date TBD.
 - Bill Bates said he is working on new map cases and will send a notice if he needs additional help.
- No member clothing discussion occurred, Carl Cavalluzzi not present.
- Bill Robie said model sales continue but are not brisk.
- A request for RMCVHPA decals that can be displayed inside of a window was made. Greg said he would look into it.

Event Schedule

- The Lakewood Heritage Center has made a request for the RMCVHPA museum for a June 8 “rock and block” party with a 1969 theme. Time is 5-9 PM with an estimated 500-1000 attendees. Questions were asked about location (venue vs. parking lot). Terry Olson will gather more information.
- The traveling wall will not be at Ft. Collins this year. It is scheduled for 2020 but our participation with the Wall may be impacted by the 2020 VHPA reunion.
- We will attend the Aurora Freedom Memorial event in Aurora on May 25. Rick Crandall is the contact. Dale House to coordinate transportation of Museum.
- Walt Wise will look into the Rocky Mountain Airport Airshow. Schedule is August 3-7.
- No Date for Erie Air Fair.
- Sky Vista middle school, Joe Minkiewicz says he has not received a response from the principal. Attending this year is questionable.

- Veterans Day Parade, Denver Civic Center 11/11 Terry senses less enthusiasm from the coordinator. There may not be any room for the museum this year.
- Bill Robie says Adams County would like us to return but there may be a conflict with Rocky Mountain Regional Airport August 3.
- Golden Lions Club July 4 is a go. Bill Robie is coordinating.

2020 Reunion

- Sherry Rodgers and Ashley Bird will contact us for a conference meeting and survey Denver after the 2019 VHPA reunion in Kansas City.
- Robin Cunningham has volunteered and is on stand-by to help us with possible venues.
- National has approved Greg's Rocky Mountain logo and they like the coasters.
- T-shirt design will be a function of National's designated t-shirt contact.

Bylaws

- Bill Robie submitted comments to Bill Bates, he indicated they were technical corrections.
- Jim also has a corrected copy he will send to Phil.
- Phil says everyone needs to read them.

Museum and RMCVHPA end of life

- Bill Robie asked if it was feasible to get members of the Combat Helicopter Pilots Association involved with RMCVHPA. There were no objections with looking into it. If we find there is interest in members of the CHPA meeting with RMCVHPA we will target September 18, 2019 meeting to get together.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Dale announced that there is open registration at Ft. Collins Veterans Plaza 5/25. Dale will send out more information. There is also a 10K run 5/27 in conjunction with Veterans Plaza.
- There is an open house at the Boulder Vet Center 5/6. Dale will send out information on that.
- Jim indicated that Karen Mahany has contacted us about attending a ceremony to rename the Frisco Post Office with Patrick Mahany's name. Jim will follow up with Karen to see when that is going to happen.
- Cliff Lawson mentioned that the service for Steve Lyons at Ft. Logan is scheduled for 4/19. Dale will send the information out through the chat group.
- Bill Robie to add two new members to the Google data base.
- A discussion as to who set up the Google data base ensued which has subsequently been resolved.

- Jim McNamee is accepting 2019 dues. Checks made out to RMCVPHA in the amount of \$20 can be mailed to 5 Summit Cedar Dr, Littleton CO 80127. Or come to the monthly meeting and pay Jim there.

Next Meeting:

- The next monthly meeting will be on Wednesday, May15, 2019 at 1000 HRS at American Legion Post #1. Depending on cooks' availability, a \$7.00 lunch, by Post #1 may be available immediately following the meeting.
- The annual dues of \$20 can be paid at the meeting.

Adjournment:

- Dale adjourned the meeting at 1117 HRS.

**Submitted by Doug Neil
Vice President**

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