

**DISABLED AMERICAN VETERANS, LT. RALPH TALBOT CHAPTER 65  
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Mar. 17, 2010

The following are the minutes of the Monday, March 15, 2010, meeting that convened at 1:00PM at the Weymouth Heights Club, 598 North St., E. Weymouth, 02189

- **Presiding Officer: Warren D. Smith, Commander**
- **Roll call of Officers conducted, Dave D'Amato, Treasurer present. All others absent or excused. Minutes kept by Commander Smith. Quorum reached. Opening prayer by Comrade John Crowley & Pledge of Allegiance recited.**
- **Members Names signed in :**
- **Frank Callahan**
- **Gordon O'Brien**
- **Peter Fee**
- **John Crowley**
- **Warren Smith**
- **Dave D'Amato**
- **Introduction of Visitors: None**
- **Treasurers Report read and accepted.**
- **Bills against the Chapter: Hall Rental**
- **Sickness and distress: Past Commander Al Donovan was remembered by all present. Senior Vice Wayne Lewis is home recovering from surgery.**
- **Applicants for Membership: None**
- **Introduction of New Members: None**
- **Reading of Communications: Letter from Daughter of Naomi Kelly regarding her mothers passing. A card of Sympathy from the Chapter will be sent.**
- **Reports of Committees: Nominating Committee report by Comrade John Crowley. All elected officers have accepted to remain in place for the coming year as allowed in the By-Laws. Commander Smith will verify that Comrade Milt Shoemaker desires to continue as Chaplain. He will also make calls to fill appointed offices.**

Service Committee: We will host a Service Officer event at the Masonic Lodge on Broad St. in Weymouth on April 6, 2010 at 6 PM to 9 PM. This will be an opportunity for veterans to discuss claims with the Chapter Service Officers in a small venue. If successful, then we can move the event to the other towns that Chapter 65 service. Commander Smith will handle the publicity.

Department Executive Committee: No attendance by Chapter 65 due to confusion by the Department on whether we had properly submitted names. It had been accomplished, but the Department apparently lost the list and used an old one. Contact will be made with the Department Adjutant to correct the issue.

- **Old Business:** Assistance is needed with conducting the annual Spring Fundraiser. We have the old database that was used by Past Commander McElroy. We should be able to handle a “mail merge” to print the letters. The assistance is for envelope stuffing, stamping and mailing. Comrade Crowley volunteered to assist and others are encouraged to contact Commander Smith.
- **New Business:** The Department Convention will be held in June at the Marriot Courtyard in Fitchburg. Service Officer and Chapter Officer training is conducted and any officers are encouraged to attend. The Chapter is entitled to delegates based on membership and any member desiring to attend the Convention can be a delegate. The Chapter will handle the registration fees for the training and delegation as well as room costs. Please contact Commander Smith or Treasurer D’Amato ASAP as the forms need to be sent in shortly.
- **Good of the Order:** The monthly Veterans Comradery Luncheon will be held Wed. Mar. 17, 2010 at the Hearth and Kettle Restaurant on Route 18 in Weymouth. Time is Noon. Comrade Paul Salvas has returned from the so called sunny south and will preside.
- **A moment of remembrance for fallen comrades, Salute to the Colors & closing prayer followed by a motion to adjourn which was seconded and approved. Meeting adjourned at 1:50PM.**
- **The next regular meeting will be Monday, May 17, 2010, @ 1PM @ the Weymouth Heights Club.**

Respectfully submitted,

Warren Smith, Commander

Monthly Financial Report  
Liquid Cash Report  
Accounting from Jan 18,10 to Mar 15, 10

Cat	Description	Amounts
	Beginning Balance	3225.75
	This year's Income or Receipts	
1	Dues [per capita from Nat Hq]	35.75
2	Donations/ Forget me not Drive	
3	Bingo [Gross Receipts]	
4	Thrift Store [gross receipts]	0.00
5	Bar / Lounge [Gross Receipts]	0.00
6	Interest and Dividend Income[checking, CD s]	0.56
7	Nat Fund raising Program [Dept s only]	
8	Increase in Market Value line # 26 during period	0.00
9	Other Income [attach schedule]	10.00
10	Total income [lines 1-10]	46.31
	This year's Expenses	
11	Salaries, payroll / administrative personnel	0.00
12	Conventions / Conferences/Seminars	
13	Postage and Office Supplies	
14	Service/ Charitable	
15	Forget me not expenses only	
16	Bingo expenses	
17	Thrift Store Expenses	
18	Bar / Lounge [expenses]	
19	Chapter home/ Hq expenses	213.40
20	Decrease in Market value of investments	
21	Other expenses [attach schedule]	
22	Expenses [lines 11-21]	213.40
	Ending Balance [beginning bal plus line 10 minus line 22]	3058.66
	Statement of Liquid Assets:	
23	Checking Accounts/Cash on hand[copy bank statement]	3058.66
24	Savings account	
25	CD's	4199.28
26	Market Value of investments	
27	Total Liquid Assets [lines 23 thru 26]	7257.94

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