



Disabled American Veterans
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Disabled American Veterans Saint Paul Chapter 2 Meeting Minutes 10 June 2023

- 1 **Opening Ceremony** (Pledge of Allegiance and Chaplain's Prayer)
20 Members present
- 2 **Introduction of Visitors** (not new members but visitors from outside the chapter)
- 3 **Roll Call of the Officers**

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Commander Jerald Bottcher	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sr Vice Commander Lou Michaels
<input type="checkbox"/> Jr Vice Commander Melissa Franz	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Treasurer Dick Maser
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adjutant John Walker	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Past Commander Bob Heinz
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Judge Advocate Bob Dike	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Chaplain Charles Carter
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer of the Day Mick Aguirre	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sgt of Arms Ken Gibson
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Trustee Bob Heinz	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Trustee Jeffrey Proud
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Trustee Denny Mitchell	

Note of those not present O = Absent X = Present E = Excused
- 4 **Reading of the minutes** from the last meeting. Minutes from the last meeting were sent out to all membership by email / read to the chapter. **Motion to accept by Bob Heinz , 2nd .by Jeff Proud, Motion Carried without dissent**
- 5 **Treasurers Report.** (Include copy of the report for filing)

Account totals	
Forget me not share	\$2277.84
General Fund Share	\$8732.41
Forget Me Not checking	\$2970.47
General Fund Checking	\$6907.82
USPS on Account	\$726.53
Total	\$21615.07

Motion to accept the treasurers report made by Jeff Lubarski, 2nd by Lou Michaels, Motion Carried without dissent
- 6 **Bills Against the Chapter** list of the bills, motion made and 2nd, vote carried or failed
Clothing Drive Bills due are Clothing drive expenses, Hastings Bingo,
Motion to pay Bill Against the chapter made by Jeff Lubarski , 2nd by Don Gilbert Motion Carried without dissent
- 7 **Reports of Sickness and Distress. Veterans In Need** (Make note of those affected)
Lou Michaels – Kidney Stones, Melissa Franz – Accident, Cecilia Jenkins – Richard has taken a turn for the worse.
Motion to give \$300.00 to Cecilia to take care of lawn care and other household matters by Denny Mitcher, 2nd By Lou Michaels. This will be under Veterans in needs. Motion Carried without dissent



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- 8 **Application for Membership** (Introduce new members to the chapter, swear in members who have yet to take the oath of membership) Need motion to accept new members and pay for Chapters portion of the membership. **New Member Debo Teriba sworn in to the chapter**
- 9 **Reading of Communications**
DAV Foundation Golf Tournament. What level of sponsorship do we want? Duty sponsor is 1000, Honor Sponsor 1500. Motion Made by Jeff Proud, 2nd by Jeff Lubarski to pledge \$1500 honor sponsor. **Motion Carried without dissent** Check will be written after 1 July in order to conform to accounting purposes
- 10 **Reports from Committees**
 - a. **Hastings Vets Home** Bingo at 19 June 2023 Names of Volunteers. Check given to Bob Heinz of \$120.00 for prize money. The Vets home will also have a dinner for the volunteers on the 19th as well.
 - b. **Forget Me Not Committee - Forget me not drive Did very good. Over \$4500.00 in donations this year. Do we have any volunteers to take it over for next year? Bob is setting up a 2nd drive for 6-7 Oct. Also we have the Golden Corral event for Veterans Day**
 - c. **Membership Committee** – We have 1708 members. Our goal is 1705.
 - d. **Summer Picnic Committee** – Chapter Picnic Chapter Picnic Scheduled for 8 July 2023 Noon ‘til done. Looking for a volunteer to take over the coordination of the event Chuck and Melissa will help out. The Hastings Vets home will provide a bus to bring vets up from the home for the picnic. There will be cupcakes instead of a sheet cake 100 ea.

Will call the vets home to confirm the bus for residents
 - e. **Holiday Party Committee**
Holiday Party is Scheduled for 20 Jan 2024. Mancini’s 1:00 pm Bob Heinz said he will take care of details. Meal cost is \$30.00 per person. The member cost is 25.00 with the Chapter picking up the balance.
 - f. **Clothing Drive Committee** report – Status of clothing drive. We had 2 drops in May totaling over 10000 lbs. Our next drop will be on 22 June, **9:00 AM** at **Unique Thrift Store in New Hope** for up to 5700 lbs., need a couple of volunteers. This will be for the trailers on Roseville and Hastings, may also have the trailer for White Bear Lake - Jerry B
 - g. Women’s Veterans Retreat at the Mount Olivet campground in Farmington, MN 4-6 August 2023. We have committed to providing \$1500 to sponsor 5 women to attend



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with priority to chapter members. Members attending so far are; Josi J., Melissa F, Jenn W. Will send out e mail to other women veterans in the chapter

- h. **LVAP.** Please fill out LVAP sheet or submit you LVAP online!!!
- 11 New Business**
- 12 Unfinished Business** – List of items requiring resolution, actions taken, (progress noted, set aside, resolved, descriptions of actions taken, votes, etc.
 - a. **DAV Family Fun Extravaganza being set up. 15 July 2023 at the Jaycees park / shelter (Central Park) in Roseville, Mic has details Mick stated we will have activities for the family.** We are trying to recruit younger member. Alex had plan an event at Saint Thomas before covid restrictions. We need volunteers to help set up / take down, and run the games
 - b. **Hospital Visitation** – Still on hold due to Pandemic, Check to see if we can find out when we will be able to start back up again. Still waiting for when we can start.
- 13 For Good of The Order:**
 - St Paul Saints Game, More openings at the following website <https://davn.org/hero-of-the-game/>**
 - Minnfluence <https://davn.org/legislation/voters-voice/>**
 - Convention Travel Expense Vouchers New forms available,** please use will provide copies by email if needed or can use hard copy
 - New mileage rate effective 1 June 2023 the chapters rate is 32.5 cents per mile The IRS mileage rate is 65.5 per mile**
- 14 Accept motion to adjourn Made by Vern Hall 2nd by Josi Jensen . Motion Carried without dissent**
- 15 Memorial Ceremony**
- 16 Adjournment with Closing Prayer and Ceremonies**
- 17 Meeting adjourned at 11:55 AM**
 - Next Meeting**
 - Executive meeting on 8 July 2023 at 9:00 at the Vets Camp**
 - General Membership meeting on 9 September 2023 North Saint Paul VFW Exec at 9:30 AM, General Membership at 10:30 AM**

Respectfully Submitted

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