



DISABLED AMERICAN VETERANS

MINUTES OF

3 Nov. 2012

CHAPTER 5 DEPARTMENT OF DAV

DATE: 3 Nov. 2012

TIME: 10:05

ATTENDANCE: 14

COMPILED BY: Michael Tatham

Officers – 5 Absent – 1

Chapter 5 Adjutant

APPROVED BY

Members – 9 Adjourned – 9

COMMANDER

- I. CALL TO ORDER:** Commander Gary Prescott was on an approved leave so Past Commander Elaine Mitchell stood in. Past Commander Elaine Mitchell sounded the gavel at 10:05 am calling the monthly meeting of Chapter 5 DAV was called to Order. Chaplain Elaine Mitchell rendered a prayer followed by Past Commander Elaine Mitchell leading the Chapter in the Pledge of Allegiance to the U.S. Flag.
- II. ROLL CALL OF OFFICERS:** All officers were present/or accounted for.
- III. INTRODUCTION OF VISITORS/NEW MEMBERS:** Visitors: Len New Members: Ernest Garcia, Joseph Austin.
- IV. READING OF THE MINUTES:** Minutes of the last meeting were passed to each member to read. Past Commander Elaine Mitchell asked the general membership present if there were any corrections. There were no corrections. Past Commander Elaine Mitchell had the general membership present if there were any corrections or omissions. Hearing none, Past Commander Elaine Mitchell approved the minutes as written.

V. TREASURER'S REPORT: Comrade Wil Hodgkin made the motion to accept the treasure's report as read. Senior Vice Commander Dean Buffard 2nd the motion. Motion carried.

VI. BILLS AGAINST CHAPTER: None

VII. SICKNESS AND DISTRESS: Comrade Fred Saddler is not doing very well. Max Libers died on Tues. 30 Oct 2012. Services will be held on 5 Nov. 2012. Viewing will be at 5pm and services will be at 2pm. The viewing will be at the United Baptist Church. He is going to go to Nebraska to be buried.

VIII. APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP: Ernest Garcia was sworn in.

IX. READING OF COMMUNICATIONS: Chapter 5 Adjutant Mike Tatham read a letter from the IRS telling us that we did not owe anything. Then he read another letter telling us that the Chapter still owes.

X. Executive Committee: Time started: 9:40 AM Time stopped 10:04 AM
Officers in attendance: Past Commander Elaine Mitchell, Senior Vice Commander Dean Buffard, 1st Junior Vice Commander Pamela Lee, 2nd Junior Vice Commander Jim Ritchie, Treasurer Enzo Sorcinelli, Chapter 5 Chaplain Elaine Mitchell and Chapter 5 Judge Advocate Wil Hodgkin. Comrade Vern Lucero.
Past Commander Elaine Mitchell took over since Commander Gary Prescott was on an approved leave. The committee discussed about the fundraiser during Vet's Day. Past Commander Elaine Mitchell reported that she talked to AppleBees and they said that we cannot have it there. This was the same with Chilis. Past Commander Elaine Mitchell stated that she needs letters of permission to take to Walgreens, and Walmart. Chapter 5 Adjutant Mike Tatham reported that he had already made up letters to take to these businesses. He just needs to know who to give them to. Comrade Wil Hodgkin reported that Olive Garden is having a Veterans' Day deal. Comrade Wil Hodgkin also reported that the city of Rio Rancho is having Veterans' Day celebration on 12 Nov. 2012. Comrade Edward Mitchell read a long list of businesses that are having deals on Veterans' Day. Comrade Vern Lucero asked about getting Sam's Club as a fundraiser.

XI. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES:

Entertainment: Annual Chapter 5 Christmas Party. Chapter 5 Treasurer Enzo Sorcinelli suggested Joe's Pasta House. Past Commander Elaine Mitchell stated that both holidays (Thanksgiving and Christmas) should be combined into one. Comrade Ed Mitchell recommended 14 Dec. 2012. It was decided by the members present to have 14 Dec. 2012 as the day for our Christmas party. 1st Junior Vice Commander Pamela Lee made a motion to reimburse Past Commander Elaine Mitchell if she needs to place a deposit on the restaurant and to negotiate (on behalf of the chapter) date(s). Senior Vice Commander Dean Buffard second the motion. Motion carried.

American and Patriotism: none

Publicity: Chapter 5 Adjutant Mike Tatham needs to place an ad in the Albuquerque Journal about our meetings.

1st Junior Vice Commander Pamela Lee volunteered to head the committee for the Forget Me Not Drive.

Membership:

Service Officer:

Legislative: Comrade Wil Hodgkin reported that vets getting retired pay is tax exempt.

Comrade Ed Mitchell reported that Tricare for life was \$450.00 per year. Comrade Wil Hodgkin reported that medicare and tricare for life combine when the member reaches retirement age. Tricare for life is under the members ssn.

Comrade Wil Hodgkin reported that if a person does not sign up for medicare- they will pay a penalty for the rest of their life. Penalty is made to Medicare.

Comrade Wil Hodgkin reported that Walgreens lost the contract for Tricare.

Comrade Ernest Garcia told the members present that he is retired from the SSA (Social Security Administration). He has volunteered to help with medicare and social security matters.

XII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS: There wasn't any discussed at this meeting.

XIII. NEW BUSINESS:

There wasn't any discussed at this meeting.

XIV. GOOD OF THE ORDER: Past Commander Elaine Mitchell had the chapter members present do a 1 min of silence in memberance of our fallen comrades. Past Commander Elaine Mitchell also told the members present that she was going give a check to Max Liber's family.

The 50/50 was won by Senior Vice Commander Dean Buffard. It was for \$16.00 total. He donated the whole amount to the chapter. Thank you Senior Vice Commander Dean Buffard.

Past Commander Elaine Mitchell asked a person to make a motion to adjourn. Comrade Ed Mitchell made the motion to adjourn the meeting. 2nd Junior Vice Commander Jim Ritchie 2nd the motion. Motion carried.

A prayer was given by Past Commander Elaine Mitchell and a salute the U.S. Flag, ~~Commander Gary Prescott~~ ^{Elaine Mitchell} gaveled the meeting closed at 10:45 AM. The next meeting will be 1 Dec. 2012 at the same place and same time.

Commander Gary Prescott


Adjutant Michael Tatham