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Disabled American Veterans
Chapter #108
Minutes
May 18, 2023

Meeting opened by Commander Tubbs at 7:03pm followed by Chaplain Sansbury providing the invocation followed by paying respects in giving the pledge of allegiants.

Guest at tonight's meeting are David and Sherry Bilinovich from DAV Chapter #72 of Medina, Ohio.

Healy made the motion to suspend the regular order of business to swear in the chapter officers and motion was seconded by Jacob Drost and passed. PDC and Judge Advocate Bilinovich was introduced, and all newly elected member were sworn in as expected. David talked about the DAV and its members and wished us well for coming membership year. Commander Tubbs called the meeting back into regular session and passed.

Adjutant Healy read the minutes of April 20, 2023 and were approved. Treasure Mark Hughes provided the chapter's current financial status showing \$6,972.99 in checking and cash assets of \$18,124.84.

Healy then spoke on the upcoming Memorial Day activities and need for help. Saturday, May 27th, the placement of better than 4000 flags on veteran's graves, beginning at 8:30am that morning with refreshments being offered. Then on Monday, Memorial Day, May 29th those taking part in the program being at the cemetery at the Mausoleum by 9:30 and ready for the program to begin at 10am.

Healy spoke on the VA claims under the PACT Act of September 10, 2022, and how the claim have increase as a result this this new law passing. That VA Central Office has indicated there processing claims has increased and has exceeded expectations.

Center for Aging in Rocky River held today a seminar here in the Memorial Hall from 9am to 1pm and I attended.

Commander Tubbs then made a motion to have officers of the chapter attend a special meeting on August 24th at Applebee's in Rocky River at 1pm.

Terry Kelly informed everyone that his wife is showing signs of improvement from her knee surgery earlier the year.

Senior-Vice Jacob Drost spoke his travels as State Commander and some things that will be considered in the upcoming Department Finance Meeting on May 23rd in Columbus and in our state convention from June 22nd to June 25th.

Jake spoke on restarting a quarterly Department News Bulletin to keep chapter and members informed of events and interesting facts. Jake told us he's traveled to the major VA Hospitals in Ohio and the Cleveland VA Hospital is ranked 3rd in the country and the DAV NSO Office is ranked 9th largest in providing claims in the country.

Jake states Department is looking at ways to help chapters and members out during these time and more information will follow later following the convention.

Healy made a motion on the floor to send a letter to Department of Ohio, Disabled American Veterans in supporting Jake Drost for Commander for 2023-2024. Motion passed and Healy will send the letter this week.

Chaplain Sansbury spoke on his recent Honor Flight to D.C. and showed colored photos to our members.

Motion to adjourn this meeting was made by Sr.-Vice Drost and seconded by Terry Kelly and passed. Commander Tubbs and members paid tribute to our colors with Chaplain Sansbury providing the closing prayer and meeting ended at 8:37pm.

Russel Tubbs, Commander

Richard Healy, Adjutant

Date Approved