# Wasatch Chapter 1 Disabled American Veterans Department of Utah Minutes of 14 July, 2016

- 1. Opening ceremonies held in joint session with Auxiliary.
- 2. Roll Call of Officers

Commander John Eakins, Present
Senior Vice Jeff Roper, Present
Junior Vice Robert Bennet, Present
Adjutant Tim Matthews, Present
Chief of Staff Mark Sunday, Present
Treasurer Ken Rasmussen, Excused
Chaplain Rocky Bulloch, Present
Officer of the Day Jake Boozenny, Present
Sergeant at Arms Neil Hargrave, Present

## 3. Introduction of guests

None present

## 4. Reading of minutes of last meeting

Movement to waive reading and refer to website M/J.Chaney,S/N.Hargrave,A/U

# 5. Treasurer's report

Distress Committee Fund stands at \$500 with none expended since last report. Treasury balance is \$

## 6. Bills against the Chapter

\$50 to Adjutant for Storage Locker, \$75 to Adjutant for Internet service fee

#### 7. Sickness and distress

Rocky Bulloch is having difficulty negotiating the pathway to the entrance of his residence and asks for assistance. Commander will discuss installation of a handrail with Home Depot with grant and labor. Chapter members can assist directly with the installation since we have volunteer insurance coverage

Note: Information included here concerning medical condition of members mentioned is released with their express permission.

## 8. Applications for membership transfers

None received

## 9. Introduction of new members

None present

## 10. Reading of communications

State Adjutant reports that National will not match the \$8,000 raised for Camp Corral after all.

National PR chief sent email congratulating us on our Convention and mentioning how much the National Commander appreciated our gift.

# 11. Reports of committees

**Distress Committee** 

LVAP Committee: Bob Bennet collects volunteer hour reports and discusses details of forms to be used and need for registration.

Membership Committee not active.

Motion to accept Committee reports as read: M/J.Roper,S/M.Sunday,A/U

#### 12. Unfinished business

Our big flag retirement, to which we contribute the annual accumulation of flags from our collection boxes (about 2,000), will be July 19th at 18:00hrs at the Spanish Fork Rodeo Arena as part of the Fiesta Days celebration. Scouts in uniform, with or without their Troop/Den will be invited to participate. We will be publicly mentioned at the event so it is important that we have as many members there as possible with their families. Reserved seating should be available for members but you should be wearing DAV-related items.

Color Guard members Art Richardson and Tim Matthews conducted Flag Retirement Ceremony at the Payson Veteran's Hospital on Flag Day, June 14<sup>th</sup>. The ceremony was completed properly and was received very well by all present.

Adjutant Matthews attended the Flag Day celebration at Macey's Supermarket in Provo. Matthews prepared a display of hand flags and made \$35 in donations at \$1 per flag. Boy and Girl Scouts who were present were given flags without charge. Several other members attended, including Commander Eakins, Art Richardson, Mark and Donna Sunday with members of their family and others.

The Veteran's Car Cruise at the Payson Veteran's Hospital on June 25<sup>th</sup> was a great success. Commander Eakins, Art Richardson and Tim Matthews were there to staff our booth where we sold some of the painted wooden toy cars from the Santa Zone and hand flags. A total of \$180 was donated on behalf of the Chapter to support the Hospital's Santa Zone Project.

Department Convention was a success. New Department officers elected were Commander Nancy Esposito The National Commander Moses A. McIntosh, Jr. attended the convention which is the first time in memory that the National Commander appeared at our event. Wasatch Chapter presented Commander McIntosh with a DAVWW pamphlet (our old name was Disabled American Veterans of the World War)published in 1922 that was strikingly similar to the "Who We Are and What We Do" pamphlets issued today. Commander McIntosh was very appreciative of the gift.

## 13. New business

Vietnam Memorial Wall replica will be on display at the Provo Elks Lodge on University Avenue (East Bay) 15 – 19 September. The Elks have asked us to provide volunteers to assist with security.

Adjutant and Commander detail a request from Randy Edwards, Chairman of the County VSO Council for all major VSOs to contribute about \$500 to purchase a Daily Herald online banner that will be up for four to five months and will feature interviews with local vets who will tell their stories of their military experiences. The banner will include links to the sites sponsored by the VSOs. The same request was made last year but did not come to us as a request for funding. The DAV link was included on that banner but clicking on it directed the viewer to another site which happened to be the site of the person constructing the site. The Herald staff will be responsible for that this year. The Adjutant says that we have several members whose stories would be very interesting and the interview will offer an opportunity to mention our mission and our presence in the community. Motion to

postpone further discussion to next meeting because of time restraints due to the need to hold Chapter election tonight.

Commander initiates discussion of locating flag collection boxes at area Post Offices. It would be a very appropriate choice since Post Offices issue memorial flags on behalf of the Federal Government. Commander tasks Adjutant with drafting a letter to appropriate local postal authority inquiring about the possibility.

August Fishing Party is scheduled for the  $20^{\rm th}$  at Vivian Park. Reminders: no license required for attendees, no limit. There is a sidewalk near enough to the water's edge that wheelchair-bound persons can enjoy fishing. Set-up will begin at  $0900 \, \rm hrs$  and activities begin at  $1100 \, \rm hrs$ .

Commander goes over Chapter and Auxiliary taskings in support of the Fishing Party. Auxiliary Commander Ken Baxley submits request for funding for their requirements. Motion to allocate \$350 for use by Auxiliary. M/J.Chaney,S/S.Davenport, A/U. Auxiliary will make necessary purchases and submit Form 4 for reimbursement NLT September meeting.

Commander announces that Judge McVey's 4<sup>th</sup> District Court "Veteran's Treatment Court will graduate 5 enrolled veterans who have completed all phases of the treatment

#### 14. Good of the Order

Commander calls thrice for nominations for Junior Vice. Robert Pastor is nominated in absentia. There being no further nominations, the Commander calls for a motion to postpone the election of Junior Vice until Robert Pastor can be contacted. Bob was at the meeting. Did anybody ask him if he wanted to be Jr Vice?

M/T.Matthews,S/S.Davenport,A/U.

Remember to patronize our supporters at Golden Corral, Flags and Stuff, Tuff Trucks and Larry H. Miller auto sales.

Commander

15. Memorial Ceremony
Conducted at 2110hrs

Adjutant

16. Adjournment Motion to adjourn. M/N.Hargrave,S/J.Chaney,A/U

Submitted: Date:	Approved: Date:	
T I Matthews	John D. Eakins	

Note: Example of abbreviations used: M/J.Doe,S/A.Smith,A/U = Motion made by J. Doe, Seconded by A. Smith, Approved/Unanimously