



Warrington Township
Veterans Affairs Committee Minutes
Jan. 31, 2022

Members present: Peter Scott, John Scala, John Dischert, Vinny Valinoti, Frank Kosmaceski, Aaron Attermann and Andy Oles.

Members not present: Chris Roth

Called to Order: 7:30 PM

Pledge of Allegiance

Minutes of last meeting approved.

Accepted the resignation of Chris Patton from the Committee. Voted in new member John Dischert.

Helping Hands, John Scala reported that he is in contact with Makita Mitchell of the **Survival Outreach Service**, of a program to help people to have pertinent information of veteran assistance, not only of their needs, but also pertinent information before the death of a veteran especially for spouse and family. John is waiting for more information from her and possibly getting an E-Link for us

Vietnam Veterans Commemorative Day, March 29, 2022. Discussion on whether the committee might be involved on this day of remembrance. John will gather more information on this. We discussed adding this recognition to the Memorial Day ceremony.

Memorial Day Ceremony. Peter confirmed that the Band had been initially contacted; they indicated they would come as long as Covid did not present an issue. Jeanine ordered Tent and Tables. All committee members will input any contact for another speaker at the event. We decided to invite Todd Polinchock and Brian Fitzpatrick again this year and to contact one other speaker. Peter will send out the invitations prior to next meeting.

General Discussion

With the addition of another branch of service, The Space Force, the committee approved the flag of this service be added to the others at IGOE Park. It was suggested that it could be placed above the POW/MIA flag which will be in accordance with proper flag etiquette.

Wall application of former VAC member Andy Bracy's name added was approved. Andy Oles informed us of the time line for all engraving.

All members of committee may forward pertinent information to John Dischert for potential posting in the E-Link by the 20th of the month. John volunteered to create articles for both the e-Link and the Link; it is hoped this will further interest our organization by the residents of Warrington.

There was a great deal of discussion regarding what our organization can do for the community and what they may expect from us. We discussed potential sources of information and agreed that the Survival Outreach Service would be our next step in gathering information. We discussed bringing in several speakers to talk to us in the future.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 PM