

MINUTES
BOARD OF MANAGERS MEETING
FEBRUARY 15, 2016

PRESENT: Paul J. Lloyd - Chairman (Veterans of Foreign Wars); Benjamin “Ben” Saxon (Disabled American Veterans); Robert “Bob” Blais (American Legion); Madeline Dreusicke (Veterans of Foreign Wars Auxiliary); Raymond J. Goulet, Jr. (Vietnam Veterans of America); Richard L. Murphy (Marine Corps League); John Graham (Dept. Commander – American Legion); Davide T. Wiggin (Dept. Commander – Disabled American Veterans); Lewis A. Chipola (Dept. Commander – Veterans of Foreign Wars); and Margaret “Peggy” LaBrecque (Commandant). **Guests:** Bill Bertholdt (President – NHVH Resident Council); Elaine Baker (Second Vice President - NHVH Resident Council); Armand Plourde (NHVH Director of Administrative Services), and Michelle Pelletier (NHVH Director of Resident Care Services).

***CALL TO ORDER:**

The Board of Managers Meeting of February 15, 2016 was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Paul Lloyd, Chairman. Attendees present were led in a prayer by Madeline Dreusicke, Chaplain for the Board of Managers, and the Pledge of Allegiance by Chairman Lloyd.

***APPROVAL OF MINUTES – JANUARY 25, 2016:**

The Minutes of the Board of Managers Meeting of January 25, 2016 were reviewed and discussed. Motion was made by Raymond Goulet, seconded by Lewis Chipola, to accept the Minutes. M/C.

***COMMUNICATIONS:**

There was no communication to the Board during the past month.

***CENSUS UPDATE:**

As of February 10, 2016, the Home had 194 admitted veterans. Tarr/Welch has 8 veterans approved in the candidate pool. LEDU has 23 veterans approved in the candidate pool. The Home has 109 active applicants.

***BUDGET UPDATE:**

Commandant LaBrecque reviewed the FY16 (July 1, 2015 - June 30, 2016) Financial Summary of the New Hampshire Veterans Home as of January 31, 2016.

***ADMINISTRATION AND BENEFIT FUND ACCOUNTS REPORTS:**

- **PROJECTED BUDGET (April 1, 2016 – June 30, 2016):** Armand Plourde presented and explained the projected Benefit Fund Budget for the period of April 1, 2016 – June 30, 2016. Motion was made by John Graham, seconded by Madeline Dreusicke, to accept this report as presented. M/C.

***CAPITAL PROJECTS REPORT:**

Armand Plourde provided an update on the New Hampshire Veterans Home’s efforts to date concerning capital projects and operational highlights.

***QUALITY ASSURANCE REPORT:**

Michelle Pelletier, Director of Resident Care Services, provided a Quality Assurance Report of the progress for the past quarter ending December 15, 2015, and will share updated information with the Board on a quarterly basis – February, May, August, and November.

***RESIDENT/STAFF MATTERS:**

Bill Bertholdt, NHVH Resident Council President, provided a Resident Activity Summary of the many trips and activities during the past month.

***BOARD MEMBERSHIP:**

Chairman Lloyd has submitted a letter to the Governor & Executive Council recommending the nomination of Sue Cuddy to fill the female veteran position on the Board. Sue is a retired Navy Nurse and a member of the VFW. We have not heard back from the Governor's Office regarding this nomination.

Ben Saxon has reminded the DAV Auxiliary of their upcoming position on the Board in March to replace Madeline Dreusicke, VFW Auxiliary representative.

At the February 10, 2016 Meeting, the Governor & Executive Council nominated Elaine Baker as the female resident and Bill Bertholdt as the male resident to serve on the Board.

***BOARD BYLAWS:**

The draft copy of the proposed Bylaws were reviewed and discussed. Motion was made by Raymond Goulet, seconded by Bob Blais, to approve these Bylaws. M/C.

***OTHER BUSINESS:**

Madeline Dreusicke brought posters and applications for the Honor Flight New England which can be applied for by New Hampshire Veterans Home residents. Honor Flight New England transports World War II veterans to see their memorial in Washington, DC at no cost to those that served.

Bob Blais discussed the American Legion Posts' fundraising campaign to purchase a golf cart for the Veterans Home that is wheelchair-accessible.

***UPCOMING EVENTS:**

- ~ *St. Patrick's Day Party with Bernie Dougherty* – March 17, 2016 – 2:30 p.m.
- ~ *Easter Egg Hunt* – March 19, 2016 – 1:00 p.m.
- ~ *Spring Fling Dance* – March 30, 2016 – 2:30 p.m.

***DATE OF NEXT BOARD MEETING:** The next monthly Board of Managers Meeting will be held on **Monday, March 21, 2016 at 9:00 a.m.**

***ADJOURNMENT:**

There being no other business, motion was made by Raymond Goulet, seconded by Madeline Dreusicke, to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 10:02 a.m.

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