

MINUTES
BOARD OF MANAGERS MEETING
JUNE 26, 2017

PRESENT: Paul J. Lloyd - Chairman (Veterans of Foreign Wars); Robert "Bob" Blais (American Legion); Raymond J. Goulet, Jr. (Vietnam Veterans of America); Susan A. Cuddy (Veterans of Foreign Wars); Jerilyn Maynard (Disabled American Veterans Auxiliary), Elaine Baker (Female Resident – Second Vice President, NHVH Resident Council); William Bertholdt (Male Resident – President, NHVH Resident Council); David A. Meaney, Sr. (Dept. Commander – American Legion); Thomas Wiley (Past Dept. Commander – American Legion); Ernest A. Sulloway (Dept. Commander – Disabled American Veterans); Robert W. Guldner (Past Dept. Commander – Disabled American Veterans); Joe Clark (Dept. Commander – Veterans of Foreign Wars), and Margaret "Peggy" LaBrecque (Commandant). **EXCUSED:** Richard L. Murphy (Marine Corps League); Benjamin "Ben" Saxon (Disabled American Veterans), and Shannan Brown (Past Dept. Commander – Veterans of Foreign Wars). **GUESTS:** Armand Plourde (NHVH Director of Administrative Services), and Len Stuart (NHVH Program Information Officer).

***CALL TO ORDER:**

The June 26, 2017 Board of Managers Meeting was called to order at 9:02 a.m. by Paul Lloyd, Chairman of the Board of Managers. Attendees present were led in the Pledge of Allegiance and prayer by Chairman Lloyd.

***APPROVAL OF MINUTES – MAY 15, 2017:**

The Minutes of the Board of Managers Meeting of May 15, 2017 were reviewed and discussed. Motion was made by Raymond Goulet, Jr., seconded by William Bertholdt, to accept the Minutes. M/C

***COMMUNICATIONS:**

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

***CENSUS UPDATE:**

As of June 21, 2017, the Home has 192 admitted veterans. Tarr/Welch has 9 veterans approved in the candidate pool. LEDU has 17 veterans approved in the candidate pool. The Home has 85 active applicants.

***BUDGET UPDATE:**

Commandant LaBrecque reviewed the FY17 (July 1, 2016 - June 30, 2017) Financial Summary of the New Hampshire Veterans Home as of May 31, 2017.

The budget for the FY 2018-2019 biennium has passed the House and Senate and is being forwarded to the Governor's desk. Commandant LaBrecque is confident that Governor Sununu will sign this budget.

***CAPITAL PROJECTS REPORT:**

Armand Plourde provided an update on the New Hampshire Veterans Home's efforts to date concerning capital projects and operational highlights including: LEDU 3rd floor addition; Town Hall Video System upgrade; Fishing Pond Deck Repair; New Bingo equipment; and arrival of the new 2017 Dodge Grand Voyager mini-van. Armand explained that the resident fishing deck replacement is complete. Our estimate to replace was \$9,500.00 using our own forces staffing. The actual cost was \$11,228.88, and we only charged the Benefit Fund \$9,347.25. The balance of \$1,881.63 was paid by the State to cover extras like laser leveling, crushed stone, fill and loam to improve the drainage site. Porter Paving donated the \$3,000.00 paving for the walkway at no cost.

***RESIDENT/STAFF MATTERS:**

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

- UNO Pizzeria & Grill Fundraiser – June 26 – July 5, 2017: Uno Pizzeria & Grill located at the Tanger Outlets in Tilton is conducting a fundraiser to benefit the New Hampshire Veterans Home as part of *Hometown Heroes Week*. From June 26, 2017 – July 5, 2017, 20% of the checks at UNO's will be donated back to the Home.

Armand Plourde presented a proposal and a quote of \$3,898.95 to replace the fountain in the pond. The current fountain is non-repairable due to electrical issues, and the residents have requested that it be replaced. Motion was made by Paul Lloyd, seconded by Robert Blais, to purchase a fountain with a dollar amount up to \$3,900.00. M/C. Sponsorships from veterans' service organizations will be solicited to fund this project.

The Veterans Home Needs List will be updated and distributed to the Board of Managers to share with their respective members for consideration and sponsorship for their yearly projects.

***ADMINISTRATIVE RULES:**

Commandant LaBrecque will hold on proceeding with the process to change our Administrative Rules through the Joint Legislative Committee on Administrative Rules (JLCAR) rulemaking process until receiving advice from the Attorney General's Office. She has followed up with the Attorney General's Office and is still awaiting feedback.

***BOARD MEMBERSHIP:**

Robert Blais' term on the Board of Managers, representing the American Legion, Department of New Hampshire, expired on March 1, 2017. He was completing Robert Wyman's term of appointment. Mr. Blais is interested in reappointment to the Board. A letter from the American Legion, Department of New Hampshire, was submitted to the Governor & Executive Council on March 21, 2017 recommending Mr. Blais' reappointment to the Board. Commandant LaBrecque will follow up on this nomination.

***OTHER BUSINESS:**

Erin Zayac, Senior Treasury Analyst - State of New Hampshire Treasury, notified us that one of the Veterans Home's CDs will be maturing on June 10, 2017. After review of the available rates on CDs, the Board voted to stay with Optima Bank which is 1.140 for an 18 month term. Motion was made by Raymond Goulet, Jr., seconded by William Bertholdt, to accept the recommendation of this review. M/C.

Token gifts were presented to outgoing State Commanders Thomas Wiley and Robert Guldner in gratitude for all that they have done for the residents of the Home this past year.

***UPCOMING EVENTS:**

~ *39th Army Band Concert – July 4, 2017 - 11:00 a.m.*

~ *Summer Dance with entertainment by Marlina Phillips – July 12, 2017 - 2:30 p.m.*

~ *Cruise Night – August 3, 2017 - 6:00-8:00 p.m.*

***DATE OF NEXT MEETING:**

The next monthly Board of Managers Meeting will be held on Monday, July 17, 2017 at 9:00 a.m.

***ADJOURNMENT:**

There being no other business, motion was made by Raymond Goulet, Jr., seconded by Robert Blais, to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 10:18 a.m. to the new fishing pond deck for a tour and picture taking opportunity.