

PRESENT VIA ZOOM:

Paul J. Lloyd - Chairman (Veterans of Foreign Wars); Robert "Bob" Blais (American Legion); Susan A. Cuddy (Veterans of Foreign Wars); Robert Guldner (Disabled American Veterans); Raymond J. Goulet, Jr. (Vietnam Veterans of America); Oliver Brooks (Department Commander – American Legion); Christopher "Chris" Peirce (Department Commander – Veterans of Foreign Wars); and Margaret "Peggy" LaBrecque (Commandant).

EXCUSED: William T. Conway (National Guard Association of NH); Carol Maynard (American Legion Auxiliary); Andrew "Andy" Patterson (Department Commander – Disabled American Veterans) and Elaine Baker (Female Resident). **GUESTS:** Michelle Booker, NHVH Director of Nursing; and Sarah Stanley, NHVH Program Information Officer.

***CALL TO ORDER BY CHAIRMAN:**

The April 20, 2020 Board of Managers Meeting was called to order at 9 a.m. by Paul Lloyd, Chairman of the Board of Managers. Prayer and Pledge were waived due to the meeting being held via Zoom.

***APPROVAL OF MINUTES – FEBRUARY 10, 2020**

The Minutes of the Board of Managers Meeting of February 10, 2020 were reviewed and discussed. Motion was made by Raymond Goulet seconded by Robert Blais to accept the minutes. M/C

February 2020 Minutes – roll call vote

X P. Lloyd; X R. Guldner; X R. Blais; X R. Goulet X S. Cuddy; X O. Brooks; X C. Pierce X M. LaBrecque.

***COMMUNICATIONS:**

Al Montoya from the VA called to check in and make sure that we had everything we needed to combat COVID 19.

Commandant LaBrecque and Michelle Booker will participate in a conference call today with the IGA/ VHA GEC regarding State SVH facilities status/needs. They will respond to the following survey questions:

1. Equipment Requests/Needs *Any small N95 masks*
2. # Staffing Requirements *None at this time*
3. # Staff COVID – 19 Positives *None at this time*
4. # Deaths Attributed to COVID – 19 *N/A*
5. # Positive Tests for COVID – 19 *N/A*
6. # Negative Tests for COVID – 19 *Seventeen negative and four pending from residents*

Additional questions came from Lisa Minor at VA:

***CENSUS UPDATE:**

As of April 15, 2020, the Home has 158 admitted veterans. Tarr/Welch has 22 veterans approved in the candidate pool. LEDU has 20 veterans approved in the candidate pool. The Home has 95 active applicants.

***BUDGET UPDATE:**

Commandant LaBrecque reviewed the FY20 (July 1, 2019 - June 30, 2020) Financial Summaries of the New Hampshire Veterans Home as of February 29, 2020 and March 31, 2020.

Administration & Benefit Fund Accounts Reports**Quarterly Report (January 1, 2020 – March 31, 2020)**

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Projected Budget (July 1, 2020 – September 30, 2020)

X P. Lloyd; X R. Guldner; X R. Blais; X R. Goulet X S. Cuddy; X O. Brooks; X C. Pierce X M. LaBrecque.

***CAPITAL PROJECTS REPORT:**

Commandant LaBrecque provided an update on the New Hampshire Veterans Home's efforts to date concerning capital projects and operational highlights including: ▪ **VA Equipment Upgrade Project - \$1,650,000** – Final Payment received – grant closed out. ▪ **Security upgrade project \$795k** –. Main Entrance upgrades are progressing. Flooring will be installed once a sealant has been applied to minimize the moisture that comes up through the concrete. ▪ **Nurse Call System** has been released from Purchase & Property. Work is being held back as all work is in residential neighborhoods.

***RESIDENT/STAFF MATTERS:**

Freedom Hall is being used as the isolation unit for any suspected COVID 19 cases. Staff working on that unit have been fit tested for the N95 mask. Under new guidance from the CDC staff are able to wear a surgical mask instead of the N95 mask. The N95 mask will be used when any procedure would create aerosol particles. 19 residents have been tested and all 19 were negative. 25 staff have been under investigation and 25 staff were also all negative.

All activities are taking place on units and neighborhoods in groups less than five residents.

***BOARD MEMBERSHIP:**

Congrats Robert Guldner – new board member for the Disabled American Veterans through March 2023.

***OTHER BUSINESS:**

Governor's Long-term Care Stabilization Program – Commandant LaBrecque has completed and sent in the application for the facility. It was confirmed that they received the application. The facility will apply on a weekly basis to the Long-term Care Stabilization Program for the number of full time (\$300) and part time (\$150) employees. The NH Veterans Home will receive the funds and distribute to the employees in their paychecks. Exactly how is yet to be determined.

***UPCOMING EVENTS:**

- ~ VA Survey – Unannounced – sometime in 2020
- ~ National Volunteer Appreciation Week – April 19-25, 2020
- ~ Mother's Day Celebration (on units) – May 10, 2020
- ~ National Nursing Home Week – May 11 – May 17, 2020
- ~ Armed Forces Day Ceremony (on units - in house only) May 16, 2020

***DATE OF NEXT MEETING:**

The next monthly Board of Managers Meeting will be held on Monday, May 18, 2020 at 9:00am.

***ADJOURNMENT:**

Motion was made by Raymond Goulet, seconded by Robert Blais to adjourn the meeting. M/C.
Meeting was adjourned at 9:44 a.m.