REVISED MINUTES 4-18-22

*PRESENT: - VIA ZOOM

<u>Call In Zoom:</u> Paul J. Lloyd - Chairman (Veterans of Foreign Wars); Robert "Bob" Blais (American Legion); Susan A. Cuddy (Veterans of Foreign Wars); Raymond J. Goulet, Jr. (Vietnam Veterans of America); Robert Guldner (Disabled American Veterans); William Roy (American Legion Department); Russell Norris (Veterans of Foreign Wars State Commander); William T. Conway (National Guard Association) and Kimberly MacKay (Commandant). <u>Excused:</u> Carol Maynard (American Legion Auxiliary); Richard Borrazas (Disabled American Veterans); Elaine Baker (Female Resident). <u>Guests:</u> Margaret "Peggy" LaBrecque (Past Commandant); Matt Henry, Director of Administrative Services; Allison Parent Administrator III, Quality, Policy & IPC; Sarah Stanley, NHVH Public Information Officer. <u>Phone Call In</u>: Lisa Marie Mulkern, Public.

*CALL TO ORDER BY CHAIRMAN:

The February 14, 2022, Board of Managers Meeting was called to order at 9:03 a.m. by Paul Lloyd, Chairman of the Board of Managers. Prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance was waivered.

*APPROVAL OF MINUTES – January 10, 2022

The Minutes of the Board of Managers Meeting of January 10, 2022 were reviewed with no discussion. As there were no changes – Minutes will be placed on file.

*COMMUNICATIONS:

- ~Federal VA Survey vendor has been selected, Ascellon to perform audits.
- ~Barry E. Conway email the Board of Managers. His email was read verbatim.

**Revised April 18, 2022 –

Commandant Kim MacKay updated the board on a phone call she received from a member of the public. Lisa Marie Mulkern, former employee from the NHVH, called Commandant Kim MacKay and expressed her displeasure with testimony related to HB 1353. She wanted her detailed comments regarding the testimony written with specificity in the February Board of Manager's meeting minutes. The three items she wanted noted in the minutes were: 1) She called into the meeting 2) She requested that no one use her name in reference to HB1353 and (3) Former Commandant M. LaBrecque reassured her that she would not discuss her name in reference to HB1353 again.

*CENSUS UPDATE:

As of February 10, 2022, the Home has 122 admitted veterans. Tarr/Welch has 16 veterans approved in the candidate pool. LEDU has 7 veterans approved in the candidate pool. The Home has 68 active applicants. Today we have 121 veterans as we had a veteran pass over the weekend.

*BUDGET UPDATE:

Commandant LaBrecque reviewed the FY22 (July 1, 2021 - June 30, 2022) Financial Summaries of the New Hampshire Veterans Home as of January 31, 2022.

*CAPITAL PROJECTS REPORT:

Matt Henry provided an update on the New Hampshire Veterans Home efforts to date, concerning capital projects and operations highlights.

*QUALITY ASSURANCE REPORT:

Allison Parent, Quality, Policy & IPC presented the 4th Quarter 2021 (10-1-21 – 12-31-21).

*RESIDENT/STAFF MATTERS:

LSR's were reviewed:

- ~ HB 1314 establishing a committee to study the management and oversight of the New Hampshire Veterans Home. In Committee
 - ~ HB 1353 renaming a wing in the New Hampshire Veterans Home- Re Study

~SB 413 – requiring an independent audit and needs assessment regarding COVID -19 preparedness at long term care facilities, nursing homes, and the New Hampshire Veterans Home, and making an appropriation therefor. -Interim Study

Chairman Lloyd asked about the 2014 Committee Report that introduces the topic of the Home being CMS certified and how that would look. What are the Pro's and Con's of the Home being both VA certified and CMS certified? Should we be looking into this? Margaret LaBrecque commented that dual certification was investigated in the past (2006) but was not recommended as that would divide the Home to CMS beds and VA beds. CMS has many different rules and regulations that are very different from what the Ve-H rules allow our veterans. An example would be the amount of money that CMS allows a recipient is \$2,000, where the Ve-H rules allow up to \$30,000, before becoming a full pay veteran for room and board calculation.

We continue with surveillance testing once per week (staff only); next test will be tomorrow, February 15, 2022.

*BOARD MEMBERSHIP:

Letter from the VFW has been received (1/10/22) re-nominating Paul J. Lloyd as our VFW Board Member. Madeline Dreusicke -Nominated to the Board of Managers at the Governor and Council meeting of January 26, 2022, representing the VFW Auxiliary.

Susan Cuddy will forward the re-nomination paperwork for the female veteran Board Member to the Home.

*OTHER BUSINESS:

COVID-19 – As of February 10, 2022. Residents – Active – 9 Staff – Active 8

*UPDATE REGARDING VISITS WITH VETERANS:

Window Visits – Are happening.

In Person Visits – ON HOLD.

Social Excursions – ON HOLD.

Community Spread is substantial in all of New Hampshire. The Home has instituted googles/shields to be worn in all residential areas in addition to masks.

***UPCOMING EVENTS:**

(Trips & Entertainment have been cancelled through 2-19-22 due to Covid-19 with Residents)

- ~ Wednesday February 2 You're Fired Pottery Trip
- ~ Wednesday February 2 Music w/ Kevin Farley TH
- ~ Thursday February 3 Music w/ The Cable Guys TH
- ~ Monday February 7 Music w/ Wayne Santos TH
- ~ Wednesday February 9 Ray's Antique Cars Garage Trip
- ~ Friday February 10 Lynn Hilbrunner Penguin Plunge
- ~ Thursday February 10 Music w/ Marlena Phillips TH
- ~ Sunday February 13 Super Bowl Party TH
- ~ Monday February 14 Music w/ Gardner Berry TH
- ~ Wednesday February 16 Hong Kong Buffet Trip
- ~ Wednesday February 16 Music w/ Bill Parker TH
- ~ Tuesday February 22 Music w/ The Cable Guys TH
- ~ Wednesday February 23 Music w/ Kevin Farley TH
- ~ Wednesday February 23 Commandants Update TH
- ~ Friday February 25 Music w/ Denice & Randy Filiger TH
- ~ Monday February 28 Music w/Bill Parker TH

*DATE OF NEXT MEETING:

The next monthly Board of Managers Meeting will be held on **Monday**, **March 21**, **2022 at 9:00am**, at the NHVH in the Tarr South Conference Room.

*ADJOURNMENT:

Motion was made by Raymond Goulet, seconded by Robert Guldner to adjourn the meeting. M/C. Meeting was adjourned at 9:50 a.m.