

MINUTES FROM BELLAVITA VETERANS MEETING – 08/15/18

Following a pre-meeting social, the meeting was called to order by Commander Vasquez at 1910 hours.

Pledge of Allegiance to the flag was said.

Invocation by Henry Reist

New members - None

Commander's Report – Quilt of Valor presentation to Sgt Richard Green by our quilting group

Reading of the Minutes from our June meeting were waived. No July meeting/minutes.

Treasurer's report presented by Thom Paterno. Read and accepted.

Flag Report – Steve Andrews stated that he replaced several flags. Steve asked that flag team captains mark their routes. There are paint cans in the trailer.

Old Business – (1) Commander stated that we needed to select a date for our annual Veterans Dinner. She suggested the 10th and after discussion a vote was taken and it was decided that we will have our dinner on November 10th. (2) Commander stated that we had sent our annual donation of \$ 2,000.00 to the Military Moms and Wives of Brazoria County.

New Business – (1) Report on the 4th of July event – it was a success; (2) Commander stated that we should have a POW/MIA Ceremony on the 3rd Friday of September. We need volunteers for the ceremony. The ceremony kit will cost about \$ 75.00. Motion was made and passed; (3) \$411.35 was paid to the clubhouse for the cutting down, removal and grinding of the stump in the Memorial Garden; (4) We are looking for someone to take over the communications duties – Bill Hart volunteered; (5) We will ask for volunteers for flags up and down in the newsletter and the announcement board.

Open Time – Charles, Chairman of our “Disbursement of Funds Committee” stated that he was making the following suggestions for spending of funds – (1) \$ 3,000.00 for renovation of the walking trail area which would include landscaping; 2 new benches and the repair of the other benches around the lake; (2) \$ 1,800.00 for the painting of the front gates, the fence and the BellaVita entrance sign; (3) Repairing the trail from N. Primavera Dr. to the lake – we have no quotes at this time but the work would be done in October. Motion was made/ seconded to accept these projects and pay the monies quoted. Motion passed.

Food was provided by George and Martha Kula. Leo and Walter will provide food next month.

Flag Duty - Thanks to Gene and Steve for flag duty the last 2 month. Leo and Ruben are next month's volunteers.

Jackpot winner was Thom Paterno.

Meeting adjourned at 2010 hours.