



**WARRINGTON TOWNSHIP
VETERANS AFFAIRS COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES
SEPTEMBER 26, 2011**

PRESENT: Peter Grochowiak
Supervisor Paul H. Plotnick
F. Todd Polinchock, CDR
Michael Walton
Jeanine Winslow

CALL TO ORDER: 4:44 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: The August 29, 2011 meeting minutes were unanimously approved (first motion, Todd Polinchock; second motion, Mike Walton).

OLD BUSINESS:

Memorial Wall Application: Arthur McDonald –The VAC tabled the pending application for Arthur McDonald to the October meeting which will be held after the upcoming Board of Supervisor’s meeting when the changes should be approved.

Revised By-Laws – **Jeanine Winslow** advised two VAC votes were received to date and the deadline for voting is October 13, 2011.

VAC Member/Alternate Vacancies **Jeanine Winslow** advised that one vacancy and two alternate openings have been posted on the website.

Campaign & Promotion of Memorial Wall/Bricks – **Paul Plotnick** inquired if graphics can be engraved on the bricks and **Jeanine Winslow** said she would research this. **Mike Walton** asked to revisit the pricing of the bricks and suggested we increase the prices voted during the August 29, 2011 meeting after taking into consideration the extra expenses of shipping charges and man-hours to install the bricks. **Todd Polinchock** motioned to amend the original brick pricing to the current pricing of \$100 – 4” X 8”; \$150 – 6” X 12” and \$200 – 12” X 12” and **Mike Walton** seconded the motion; both voted yes to the price changes. **Mike Walton and Jeanine Winslow**

volunteered to draft promotional flyers to advertise the bricks and put them together for a final draft. The flyers will be emailed along with the application to local residents and businesses.

Donation to Travis Manion Foundation: *Jeanine Winslow* advised a check in the amount of \$120 was mailed to the Travis Manion Foundation and the \$120 collected by the VAC meeting attendees was deposited into the Memorial Day ceremony fund.

NEW BUSINESS:

New Resolution for Veterans' War Memorial Criteria for Inclusion of Veteran's Names - *Mike Walton* said Section 1, Criteria is the criteria that we added/changed for the application. We have a resolution that states there is a wall at IPW and it covers review and approval by the Board of Supervisors or designee and addition of approved names to the memorial. *Paul Plotnick* advised this resolution is on the September 27, 2011 Board of Supervisor's agenda.

Revised Memorial Wall Application- *Mike Walton* advised the references to the stars and how the name was put on the wall was deleted from the application. References to pages was changed to reference to paragraphs. The VAC decided to add an email contact and revision date to the form.

Memorial Brick Application – *Mike Walton* recommended that an application date should be added to the form.

Incorrect Existing Memorial Brick (Tom Robins) – *Mike Walton* advised Mr. Robins' original brick application requested T. Robins – Army & Navy – 1945-52. The brick at the wall lists T. Robbin - with two "n's – Army & Navy – 1945 – 52. Our records indicate Mr. Robins called a few times and sent a certified letter asking to correct his brick. The replacement brick was still incorrect and reading T. Robins and the Army & Navy – 1945-52 was left off. There are two wrong bricks in place for Tom Robins which have to be removed and a correct brick installed.

New Memorial Wall Application – Edwin G. Boom – The VAC concluded that Mr. Boom's application would be approved under the new criteria and his Warrington residency would have to be verified. The VAC agreed that a voting or tax record would be checked for proof of residency.

QUESTIONS, COMMENTS, CONCERNS: *Jeanine Winslow* volunteered to search the Parks and Recreation documents at the Pickertown office for additional VAC files.

Jeanine Winslow advised thank you letters for the Memorial Day ceremony were mailed to State Representative Kathy Watson, Senator Stuart Greenleaf, Captain James Brobyn and Rev. Robert Schumann.

Mike Walton asked if a thank you letter was sent to Colonel Andrew Lyons and *Jeanine* said a letter was not sent and she would draft the letter on behalf of the VAC.

ADJOURNMENT: 5:22 p.m. (First motion, Todd Polinchock; second motion, Mike Walton)