

Minutes of Townsend Detachment Business Meeting: July 15, 2017

20 Members present

Opening Ceremony

Welcome Guests: None

Check in - Welfare of the members – all members present were requested to voice their Praise or Prayer requests

Commandant Nancy Burtron – 90 yr. old father has had a stroke and cannot swallow; 88 yr. old mother had cataract surgery resulting in blindness, not due to the surgery

Chaplain Charles Harris – Son is having problems

Adjutant – Jim Fulks – work responsibilities, caring for his Mother in Law who is living with him now

Willie Tarver – Celebrating his birthday

Dan Newcomer- thankful for good health and preparing for his relocation to North Carolina

Richard McClain – prepping to re-locate to Pennsylvania and the cost of the move

Jeanne Stone – glad to be back at the Detachment after a time away

Mark Barnhart – Dad in Texas battling cancer, wife – health issues

Roger Shelnett – wife recovering from a stroke

Junior Past Commandant Don Fisher – reported on member Michael Perry, his wife is in ICU and things are not looking very good at this time

Larry Tuggle – Main street Alexander City is struggling after losing their biggest employer, re occurring cancer issues

Todd Kemper – relocating in September to Quantico Virginia

Junior Vice Commandant Matt Gibson 86 Yr. old mother needing care while his sister is battling cancer and taking treatments in another county; upcoming doctor's appointment

Paul Williamson – brother in law, homeless and on disability in Covington county, Upcoming 50th wedding anniversary

Larry Welton – reported 'light' burdens, volunteering a lot in the Montgomery area, reported that member Phillip Mantle's wife is in the hospital, Health South

Alice Cole – burdens of being the sole care giver to her husband Everett

Everett – considers himself a burden to others, worried about his daughter's divorce

Senior Vice Commandant Richard Davis – aches and pains

Judge Advocate Chuck Moore – 3rd anniversary of the passing of his wife

Sergeant at Arms Ken Duan – 81 no issues, recently had his heart re-wired; daughter AMY is facing surgery for cancer treatment complications

Karl Winn – In ICU at Jackson Hospital, low blood pressure, pneumonia

Bob Johnson – Wife continues to have health issues

Roll Call of Officers: All present.

Application for membership: None

Pay Master Report was presented by Richard Davis

Report of Officers:

Commandant - Advised that we will have training this coming Thursday evening.

Senior Vice Commandant – Richard Davis advised the Detachment, of the Funding requested from the Tag Fund at the June Department Meeting, to use for the rehabilitation of Tommy Davis’s bathroom. The work is completed and Tommy Davis is in the process of moving back home. **MISSION ACCOMPLISHED**

Judge Advocate – No Grievances have been filed. The Judge Advocate will be reading our Townsend Detachment Mission Statement at our business meetings, to refresh our memories of the purpose to which we have each pledged allegiance

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

POW/MIA – Don Fisher and Todd Kemper advised the Detachment of the work of the POW/MIA committee in planning for the September State Wide Ceremony. All members are encouraged to attend this event.

WELCOME ABOARD PICNIC – Project Officer Todd Kemper – updated the members on the picnic status and passed around a signup sheet for picnic responsibilities. All detachment members should muster for a detachment business meeting at 0900 at the Family Pavillion on Maxwell AFB, with the picnic to follow when the guest arrive at 1100.

VETERAN’S DAY CELEBRATION – MONTGOMERY AL. – Don Fisher advised the city of Montgomery is planning an alternative event for Veteran’s Day – there will be no parade. It is anticipated the city will solicit VSO input on this event. **George White** accepted the duties of Project Officer for this event and will recruit other detachment members to serve with him at the Townsend Detachment display table.

TOYS FOR TOTS – **Larry Welton** accepted the duties of Project Officer for this project, he will work with Dick McClain to learn the Greater Montgomery area duties and responsibilities, as we fall under the direction of LIMA company

Unfinished Business: Detachment Historian **Janet Williamson** request all members provide her with documents and pictures for inclusion in the Detachment's official Scrap book

New Business: 2017 Budget has a line item for the National Cemetery support group, **MOTION** to go ahead and forward the budgeted monies to the support group, **Seconded, no discussion, Passed**

Budget: The board of Trustees presented a 2018 Budget to members for consideration, this budget will be mailed to the entire Detachment this coming week for time to contemplate prior to a vote to accept the budget at the next business meeting (August 2017). Discussion about the budget presented included adding a line in support of the costs of the change of Command event.

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Announcements –

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Closing Ceremony – Adjourn