

Secretaries Minutes for May 2022 Meeting

Regular meeting of the NE. Chapter 279 was called to order by President Hester at 1830 hours. President Hester led the chapter in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Officers present were: Pres. Hester, VP Mangiamelli, Sec. Halbkat, Trea. Haase was absent.

There were 25 members and 3 officers present. We have a quorum.

At this time of the meeting we had a guest speaker. Attorney Anne Burnett gave a talk concerning veteran's estate planning. She covered the pros and cons of certain estate planning including; probates, assets, intestates, beneficiaries, living trusts, and wills. After the talk there was a Q and A session. A very informative talk. It was great to see many spouses at the meeting. Thank you, Anne.

One of our chapter members passed away. Clifford Baldwin, Jr. left us in late April and graveside services were held at Omaha National Cemetery on May 2nd. Because of the bad weather and short notice we were able to represent our chapter with 5 members at the graveside ceremony. He was very proud of his Viet Nam service, as was his family, and they presented a memorial check to our chapter for over \$1000.00. Rest in peace, Cliff.

A motion was made by Ed Boller and seconded by Dick Rowe to accept the May minutes. The motion carried.

A motion was made by Ed Boller and seconded by Andy Doza to accept the Treasurer's report. The motion carried.

Pres. Hester reminded us that the annual golf outing is right around the corner. We need to sign up more sponsors and teams.

Our first parade is Saturday, May 28. We will meet at Sons of Italy at 8:30 am. Address is 1238 South 10th Street. The parade starts at 10AM. Friday, May 27th, there will be a balloon glow starting at 7 PM at Memorial Park. At this time we need to give a special "THANK YOU" to Leroy Christensen and Jim Bezoni and all the volunteers that worked with them to get our parade trailer in excellent shape. The church pews and the floor is a work of art. Thank you so much, gentlemen for the fine work.

Tom Brown has no new reports concerning scholarships and Veterans Home.

Eddie Nelson reports the veterans court is graduating another veteran. The program is a huge success.

Dottie reports there is nothing new happening on the National front.

News on the NE VVA Foundation: George and Tom report we still need another half million \$. Anyone available????? When the Huey is ready for placement at the Memorial, a Chinook will carry it over from Iowa Western College. That should be a sight!! The DAV is looking for volunteers for Papillion Days.

Our membership report is: 196 members and 12 associates.

Please check out our website page: nebraskavietnamveterans.com

Next Meeting will be Wednesday, June 8, 2022, at 1830 hours, located at the Millard America Legion Post 3745.

A motion was made by Joe Mangiamelli and seconded by Dick Rowe to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried.