

Village of Hanover Park



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VETERANS COMMITTEE  
REGULAR MEETING

Municipal Building: 2121 W. Lake Street  
Hanover Park, IL 60133

Saturday, January 7, 2012  
9:00 am

MINUTES

1. CALL TO ORDER – ROLL CALL

Chair Rick Roberts called meeting to order at 9:05 am

PRESENT: COMMITTEE MEMBERS: Ann Delort  
Beverly Baier  
Dave Warkel  
Frank Euliano  
Jeff Blackmon  
June Euliano (Auxiliary)  
Ken Griesemer  
Laura Minor  
Rick Roberts

ABSENT: COMMITTEE MEMBERS: Les Belzer

ALSO PRESENT:

Howard Killian  
Jim Kemper  
Mayor Craig  
Steve Wilson  
Nikki Russ  
Tim Murphy  
Bruck A. Niemi - artist

2. ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA

Motion by: Jim  
Second by: Jeff  
Vote: All Ayes

3. PRESENTATION/REPORTS

Artist, Brice A. Niemi, presented designs and statues of some eternal flames

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: December 3, 2011

Motion by: Bev  
Second by: Jim  
Vote: All Ayes

5. ACTION ITEMS

N/A

**6. TOWNHALL SESSION:**  
N/A

**7. OLD BUSINESS (NON-ACTION ITEMS):**

**7a. Dallas Flag - Folded and in backroom behind meeting room.**

**7b. OMA (Open Meeting Act) on-line training reminder**

- Made copy for Laura. Anyone can use computer at Village Hall or library.
- Must be completed by March 15, 2012

**7c. VFW Post 5151 donations**

- Ann delivered both money and supply goods to Ed & Pricilla before Christmas holiday. They were very appreciative.

**8. NEW BUSINESS (NON-ACTION ITEMS)**

**8a. Memorial Eternal Flame – artist Bruce A. Niemi attended.**

- There are websites to promote artists to submit designs. Most artists would like to be paid for their design submission.
- Height of flame should be determined by actual height of flagpoles. Bruce Niemi suggested that Public Works place various heights of ladders outside to determine height and view from street.
- 3D Design should have design completed in Feb. Howard suggested reviewing this first.
- Artist suggested for flame to be a minimum of 4' high, with a 2-3 foot pedestal. The base should be floated incase if it needs to be moved without damaging statue in the future. Base can be any type of stone.
- Artist recommends stainless steel (3/16 is best). It can be structured as hollow (most expensive) or solid (heaviest). It would be less costly if artist does not install, but to complete the actual design could take up to 6 months.
- Bruce indicated that fundraising would be much easier if it can be a tax deduction for people and businesses.
- This artist indicated that due to the cause for this Memorial, he would not charge the full amount that he would normally. A very rough draft estimate was indicated to be 25K-30K, but again, this is a ball-park estimate.

**8b. Evangel Church donation – Rick emailed Pastor Ron. Meet at church on Tuesday, 1/17/12 at 6pm.**

**8c. Dash & Splash 5K**

- Very preliminary plans for a 5K run that Park District is sponsoring in July to promote scholarships.
- Salute, Inc will be attending which is an organization that helps families of Veterans that have experienced head trauma.
- A meeting will be held on 1/30/12 at 6pm at the Park District board room. Both Jeff & Bev volunteered to attend to get information. At this time, no involvement by the Veterans Committee has been discussed for this event.

**8d. VFW Post 5151 is hosting a blood drive at the Streamwood Village Hall on Wed., 1/25/12 from 2pm-8pm.**

**8e. We currently have 7 applications for the Honor Roll plaque. The date of 2/16/12 was determined for next presentation.**

- 8f. Tim Murphy attended today and saw our meeting in The Highlighter. He is involved with Operation Standdown in Chicago who is involved with homeless Veterans and clothes drives. It sounds like he will be meeting with us regularly! Welcome
- 8g. Ann will make copies of the DVD she made, which has pictures of our events for the past 2 years. If anyone would like to "purchase", the money will be used for Operation Airlift.
- 8h. Please bring sayings for flame to next meeting.
- 8i. NEXT MEETING: FEBRUARY 4, 2012

9. ADJOURNMENT:  
Motion by: Jeff to adjourn at 10:28 am  
Second by: Jim  
Vote: all Ayes

AD  
2/4/12