

VETERANS MEMORIAL PARK ASSOCIATION

Meeting Minutes of October 25, 2021

A meeting of the Kaukauna Veterans Memorial Park was called to order on Tuesday, March 22, 2022, at 4:00 p.m.

1. Roll Call –

Present: Mayor Penterman, Karen Koch, Fred Cazzola, Mark Landreman, Brenda Leon, Brian Roebke, Lisa Wolfinger, Neal Borchert and interested citizen, Julie Eiting. Absent: Marty DeCoster.

A motion was made by Brenda Leon, seconded by Neal Borchert to excuse absent member. All members voted aye; motion carried.

- Reading and Approval of Minutes –
 A motion to approve the minutes of October 25, 2021, was made by Lisa Wolfinger, seconded by Brenda Leon. All members voted aye; motion carried.
- 3. Correspondence None.
- 4a. Currently in the Ring, there is 1, 30' flagpole (American flag) and 8, 20' flagpoles. The group discussed purchasing 2 additional 25' poles for the POW/MIA flag and the WI flag.

A motion was made by Brian Roebke, seconded by Fred Cazzola to purchase 2- 25' poles with bases. All members voted aye; motion carried. The money to purchase the flags will come out of the KVMPA fund.

Fred Cazzola mentioned that one base needs to be repaired and one needs to be purchased for the National Guard flag.

A motion was made by Fred Cazzola, seconded by Brian Roebke to request Fly Me Flag to repair or replace the existing base on the 2nd flag from the left and install an additional new base for the National Guard flag. All members voted aye; motion carried.

- 4b. Members were given a copy of the original Bylaws from when the Association was first formed and were asked to take them home to review and come to the next meeting with suggested changes. Suggested changes will be reviewed by the City Attorney.
- General Business

Tony Huss and his wife have officially retired from placing the flags on the bridges for the holidays. There are safety concerns with traffic on the bridge with the older Vets so they don't want to take the responsibility over. It was difficult soliciting volunteers to put the

flags out on holidays because no groups were willing to commit without a definite schedule as to when they would have to do it. Frank mentioned that he had made several recommendations in the past to have the City take this responsibility over. There are approximately 40 flags and should take an hour to put up and an hour to take down.

Fred suggested that Mayor should discuss placing flags with DPW or options discussed with a community group and then report at the next meeting. It was mentioned that Gary Wolf thought flags could be put out on a Friday and taken down on Monday because our streets are well-lit. Brian mentioned that darkness shouldn't be an issue as the rules have changed in the past 5 years.

Purchasing larger flags for the 25' poles was discussed. A motion was made by Fred Cazzola, seconded by Lisa Wolfinger to change the size of the flags on the 25' poles to 5x8 Wisconsin and POW/MIA flags, and if the 5x8 size is not available, the flags will remain 4x6.

Fred discussed putting an Army Reserve flag in the Ring of Honor hoping to encourage participation from younger veterans. The group decided to wait and bring that up at a subsequent meeting of the Association.

The next meeting is scheduled for April 12, 2022, at 4:00 p.m. in the Hydro View Conference Room.

Brian requested a moment of silence for Gene Schaefer who passed away on March 15.

Meeting adjourned at 4:53 p.m.

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