

## SOUTHERN ARIZONA VETERANS MEMORIAL CEMETERY FOUNDATION

1300 Buffalo Soldier Trail Sierra Vista, Arizona 85635 Web Site: www.savmcf.org

Friday, February 3, 2012

Monthly Business Meeting

VFW Hall - 0900-1030

Welcome - Tom Dingwall

Invocation - Tom Dingwall

Pledge - All Members

Officers' Roll -

President – Tom Dingwall (AMVETS)

Present

Vice President – Ingrid Baillie (DAR)

Present

Secretary – Conny DeSpain (BPOE, Benson) Present

Treasurer Emeritus – Earl Devine (MOAA)

Present

Treasurer – Ron DeSpain (VFW) Present

SAVMC Coordinator: Ingrid Baillie (DAR)

Present

SAVMC Administrator: Joe Larson (AZDVS)

Present

Member Organizations Roll - Conny DeSpain

Air Force Assoc. CHAPTER 107 Present American Legion Post 24, Tombstone Present American Legion Post #52 Present American Veterans (AMVETS) Post 89 Present BPOE Lodge #2065 Sierra Vista Present BPOE Lodge #2853 Benson Present Ladies & Gentlemen of the Cemetery Present Marine Corps League, Wild West Det #1152 Tombstone Present Military Order of the Cooties Pup Tent #13 Present Military Order of the Purple Heart Chapter 572 Present MOAA Coronado Chapter Present Larry Mc Kim Past President Present USAWOA Arizona Silver Chapter #203 Present VFW Post #10342 Huachuca Present VFW Post #6271Benson Present VFW Post #9972 Present AL 40 & 8 Volture 987 Present

Committee Members Roll Call: Wreaths Across America Present

VFW Riders Post 9972 Sierra Vista Present

Guest Introductions -

Minutes – January 6, 2011 Minutes approved

## **Reports of Officers:**

President's Report - None

Vice President - None

Secretary - None

Treasurer – December, 2011 Treasurer report approved as presented subject to Audit by Leo Pimple and Tom

Wisniewski.

## **Reports of Foundation Committees:**

Joe Larson reported on ongoing projects

Michael Jones: 2000 crosses 20 Star of David Memorial display project/Memorial Day 20, 2012 Scott Greggory: Assembly area cactus island & honor pad extension/to be completed in Spring

Porter Bramwill Giant Cactus island behind Assembly area/to be completed in Spring

Jake Daines Paver's around the memorial walk into a circle of benches

Mark Egan Project to be set up by Joe

Jenny Lovorn Girl Scouts-landscape around the kiosk area

Wreaths Across America reported 1,770 wreaths were put out this year. There are 730 left (new)

**Old Business:** Expansion of the Cemetery is about 8 years out. Will be a curbing assisting area. Needs about 800 ft of irrigations pipes. Joe reported Modular Buildings are still waiting 35 day reviews surplus guidelines. They keep stalling us. We will eventually get our Modular Building. The Chapel Committee which consists of Joe Larson, Earl Devine, Leo Pimple, Tom Wisniewski and Tom Dingwall will have a meeting February 8, 2012 at 2:00 at the Cemetery to discuss the building of a Chapel.

**New Business:** The Cemetery was approved for a new Solar System and Wind Project for this summer. Leo Pimple brought in a book written by Lieutenant Kenneth Lee Hayden tilted Under a White Flag. Lieutenant Hayden wanted the book to be sold for \$17.00 each but if the Foundation would sell them he would keep \$7.00 and the Foundation would make \$10.00. The Foundation voted not to be involved.

Good for the Order: Earl Devine reported that once a year the Joint Services Committee voted on Sweetheart of the Year and the recipient of this years Sweetheart goes to Pauls Pub. Bill Pakinkis said the Tombstone Wild West days is Saturday February 11, and Sunday, 2012. This is to Honor our Veterans there will be a parade Sunday the 12<sup>th</sup> and anyone wishing to be in the parade to let him know it is free. Joe Larson stated he has set up on the Web site called Net Work of the Good put a tag on it for people to donate. Also checking into CFC. Tom Taggart and Earl Devine both donated pavers for use at the Cemetery and Joe Larson will get a crew together to pick them u.

## Meeting Adjourned

Next Business Meeting: March 2, 2012 VFW – Hall 0900 - 1030

**Respectfully Submitted:** 

Tom Dingwall Conny DeSpain President Secretary