

NATHANAEL GREENE BASE MEETING MINUTES FOR NOVEMBER 2, 2019
HELD AT AMERICAN LEGION POST, WINSTON-SALEM, NC
Submitted by Edward Galaviz, Base Secretary

1200: Prior to our normal 1:00 pm start we were treated with a luncheon as requested by Board Members, prepared by Larry Hauser consisting of Beef Stew and amenities.

1:00 pm: Meeting called to order by Base Commander Ray Moore. Base Commander's opening statement was to thank Larry Hauser, an excellent cook, for the fine luncheon. There was no 50/50 due to absence of Dale Patterson.

INVOCATION: By Bill Hinds

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Led by Ray Moore, Base Commander

INTRODUCTIONS OF MEMBERS PRESENT: 17 members in attendance. This included a USSVI member, Rick Woodson, from Virginia who will now be a member of our Base.

TOLLING OF THE BOATS: For November and December was solemnly rendered by Ray Moore with Vice Commander Al Zilinski tolling the bell and a simultaneous projector presentation by Treasurer Chuck Jensen. A prayer was made by Rick Hinds for those on final patrol.

REPORTS:

Minutes of September 7, 2019: Base Commander Ray Moore says that according to the USSVI National Parliamentarian it is not necessary to vote on the minutes if published earlier.

Vice Commander's Corner: Al Zilinski who volunteered to take charge of the Kaps 4 Kids program back to our Base requested to know in open discussion where are the caps and certificates that we used to have. Chuck Jensen recommended that Al should call Jim Jeffries, 704-254-3471, for an update. Nothing was resolved for this good program.

Treasurer's Report: Report was orally presented by Chuck Jensen and subsequently a hard copy was presented to our Base Commander Ray Moore and then to our Secretary Edward Galaviz. Commander Moore asked for comments and/or questions and being none, the report was accepted as presented.

Storekeeper report: Bill McCormick brought a few items for sale, namely the 2020 USSVI Calendars. Bill also brings a lending library of books donated by Base members.

Kaps-4-Kids Report: Vice Commander Al Zilinski has volunteered to take charge of this program.

OLD BUSINESS:

Ray Moore asked Chuck Jensen to give us a report on the Submarine Veterans of WWII Memorial in Kings Bay, GA October 22 to 26, 2019. Nat. Greene Base members attending were he, Al Zilinski, Edward Galaviz and Bill Stirwalt. Only 13 WWII veterans were in attendance. The event is second to none and recommended that more of our members should plan to attend in the future.

Ray Moore then gave a report on the Nat. Greene Base Officer election for the next 2 years commencing in January 2020. Al Zilinski our new Base Commander. Frank Gardner, Vice Commander, Chuck Jensen will remain as Treasurer. Since no one elected to be the Base Secretary, Edward Galaviz will continue in this capacity along with Ray Moore when Galaviz is not available.

At this point of the meeting Al Zilinski, on behalf of the Nat. Greene Base, presented outgoing Base Commander Ray Moore with a Commemorative Plaque. It was all about Diesel Boats and something those who served on them could relate to. Members present all thanked Ray Moore for a job well done

Longevity Pins to be awarded to the following: 15 year to Robert Dabbs, Ricky Donohue, Paul Greene, Ray Hagwood, Ernest Morgan, 20 year Dick Kanning and 5 year to Dan Newcomer.

Holland club rockers to be awarded in 2020: Carl Walker 75 years, Clarence Allen 65 years, Bill Larry Lynch 55 years.

NEW BUSINESS:

Ray Moore presented Bill Stirewalt with a 70-year Holland Club rocker. He was highly congratulated by Base members.

Ray Moore then asked those present if they had any comments or questions to ask or discuss on any issues that may be of interest.

Tom Denegre then addressed the members of a topic we would all be interested in. He receives a publication from the U.S. Naval Institute called "PROCEEDINGS" and in this issue there is an article of an effective new treatment for PTSD. He briefly covered some of the main topics of the article and said that hopefully someone can make good use of it.

GOOD OF THE ORDER:

We then had a video presentation from Chuck Jensen. The video showed how the U.S. Submarines evolved prior to WWII. The video covered all the classes of these submarines from 1896 to 1933 before the fleet boats began to be commissioned prior to WWII. Some of these submarines, O, R, S, and V classes served during WWII with the last O and S class decommission in 1946.

As in previous meetings, Ray Moore again reiterated that everyone can help with new membership by talking with veterans or by wearing something submarine related.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Veterans Day Parade in Asheboro, November 11, 2019. Chuck Jensen to send out detailed information.

Next meeting is scheduled on January 4, 2020 at the American Legion Post in Winston-Salem.

The annual Burnsville WWII Memorial Service meeting May 15 to 16, 2020.

Nat. Greene Base charter anniversary is August 20, 2020. Our new Base Commander, Al Zilinski and Ed Galaviz to determine where the anniversary meeting will take place.

Other parades will be announced as we receive information.

Pearl Harbor Dinner in Raleigh, NC State University Club, December 7, 2019.

2020 National Convention in Tucson, AZ.

Closing prayer by: Bill Hinds

Meeting Adjourned at 3:00 pm