

Minutes for USSVI “OLD NORTH STATE” Base Meeting

1000 Saturday 14 November 2020

VFW Post #2057

11270 E NC 97, Rocky Mount, NC 27803 Phone

252-446-7532

0900 Biscuits and donuts and coffee at VFW before meeting - 11 members attended.

GET 50/50 TICKETS BEFORE MEETING

Cell Phones off or on vibrate

Meeting called to order by Vice Commander Joe Goarck at 1100.

DIVE BOAT – Two blasts of the diving alarm. “All rise”

INVOCATION – Joe Goarck led the opening prayer.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – Commander Vince Sievert led the base in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

USSVI CREED

“TO PERPETUATE THE MEMORY OF OUR SHIPMATES WHO GAVE THEIR LIVES IN THE PURSUIT OF THEIR DUTIES WHILE SERVING THEIR COUNTRY. IN ADDITION TO PERPETUATING THE MEMORY OF DEPARTED SHIPMATES, WE SHALL PROVIDE A WAY FOR ALL SUBMARINERS TO GATHER FOR THE MUTUAL BENEFIT AND ENJOYMENT. THE ORGANIZATION WILL ENGAGE IN VARIOUS PROJECTS AND DEEDS THAT WILL BRING ABOUT THE PERPETUAL REMEMBRANCE OF THOSE SHIPMATES WHO HAVE GIVEN THE SUPREME SACRIFICE.”

Tolling of Lost Boats:

The Tolling of the Lost Boats Ceremony covering the months of November was conducted by Commander Vince Sievert, shipmate Dennis Loch tolled the bell respectively. Vince read the accounts of the five submarines and the 375 men lost in the month of November. Dennis tolled the bell for each of the lost submarines in solemn remembrance of our shipmates who paid the ultimate sacrifice for their country.

WWII SUBVETS – none in attendance

ALL MEETING ATTENDIES - 11 SubVet members introduced themselves by including the name of their qualification boat, the year they received their dolphins, and where they live.

Eternal Patrol Memorial - None.

BINNACLE LIST –

- Joe Goarck still dealing with lung and oxygen issues he has a portable O2 that he uses as required, his wife Jean is still dealing leg problems but their children have been visiting which has helped.
- Nelson Gainey has been getting treatments for skin cancer right now he is cancer free. His friend broke her arm and is scheduled for surgery to repair the damage.
- Jerry's oldest son will be having eye surgery for cancer of the eye.

Please keep everyone in prayer for healing and encouragement. Remember, we are all shipmates and if you need to reach out for support or just to talk we are here for you, that's what shipmates do!

SPEAKER –none

REPORTS:

NC SUBVETS CDR – Jerry Emerson

Jerry gave an update on the on the NC SubVets organization and reported that the torpedo trailer float is still in need of a permanent storage site. If anyone knows of a location contact Jerry, he currently has it at his home in in a temporary location. The location for the float would need to be 10' wide by 30' long. Let Jerry or Vince know if you know of an available location. Vince also said that we need to find a permanent location for our base sub float due to him needing the space in his shop for additional equipment. If you know of any location for permanent storage for the two floats let Jerry, Vince or myself know.

Jerry stated that he had reserved the backroom for the December social dinner at Pup's Steakhouse 2801 Ward Blvd. Suite 3D, Wilson, NC 27893 at 1800. He will need a head count prior to the dinner. You can call him Vince or myself or send me an email.

BASE COMMANDER – Vince Sievert

Vince discussed that a lot of sites are doing zoom meetings due to the Covid-19 lockdowns. He said that the Tarheel base is conducting all of their meetings on Zoom and if you are interested they will have their December meeting on the 5th and you can access it and get some training and see how it goes. He said that if he received enough feedback that ONS could try to go to Zoom meetings.

VICE COMMANDER – Joe Goarck

Nothing

SECRETARY – Jack Murray

Motion made and seconded to accept the 10 October 2020 meeting minutes as submitted. Dennis Cloutier made a motion that the 10 October meeting minutes be corrected first since they were incorrectly headed as September meeting minutes. I acknowledged that I made an error and would fix them and resend the revised October meeting minutes out with this month meeting minutes. Good catch by Dennis at least I know someone reads them! Motion passed.

TREASURER – Dennis Cloutier

- Membership report: Submitted 11-12-2020

Base Membership: 17

Multiple Base Members: 4

Associate Members: 1

Total: 22

- Financial Report: 1 October –#1 October 2020

1. Starting balance: \$1437.16

Receipts- \$644.00

Dues Receipts-
\$134.00

50/50 revenue/
contribution:
\$25/\$20

Raffle ticket sales:
\$365.00

NC SubVets Fund:
\$100.00

- Months Disbursements: \$0.00

- Ending balance of all accounts: \$2081.16

- Resulted Gain (loss) (difference between 1 &4): (\$644.00)

Notes: This report has been reconciled against the October Southern Bank statement. A \$20 discrepancy exists between the bank statement balance and the ending balance above. A

\$20-dollar bill found a hiding place among the treasurer's papers and did not get included in the monthly deposit.

- Motion made and seconded to accept Treasurers Report as read. Motion passed.

WEB MASTER – Will Iwaniuk

None.

STORKEEPER – Dennis Loch

Dennis gave an update on getting the 2021 Submarine calendars, said due the Covid-19 (the canned excuse for everything being late) they have been delayed in receiving them, he will let everyone know when he does receive them. Cost will be \$10.00 each. He also stated that he was out of ONS hats, he was asked to get a cost for 6-10 new ones a let the members know.

FUND RAISER – Vince and Phorg discussed base raffle and Vince had some printed tickets. If you need some contact Vince or me and we will email copies to you. It was voted on to postpone the raffle drawing until our 11 December social dinner. See attachment.

FLOAT SOP – Vince still needs to get a picture of the bunting on the float to Dennis so he can finish the SOP.

Shipmates base and national dues are due NLT November. Need to get them paid.

Base dues \$12.00 per year. National dues \$25.00 per year

If you're interested in life membership is based on your age. You can check the USSVI website or contact me and I will let you know the amount.

You can bring them to the December social or send them to the secretary Jack Murray (me). Make the checks out to Old North State Base. Send to:

Jack Murray

621 Cummings Rd.

Rocky Mount NC 27804

NEW BUSINESS:

Jerry said that he would have the Holland club presentations for Wade Brooks, and Bruce "Wayne" Marshall at the at the January meeting.

Vince discussed per the base budget that a check for \$50.00 to be sent to the National office for the Joe Clark Fund and a check for \$30.00 for USS Greenville boat sponsorship.

Treasurer was directed to send checks.

EVENTS

December 11th - Drawing for fund raiser. 50/50 raffle and an American flag carved in wood

Base social: Friday 11 December 1800 @ 2801 Pup's Steakhouse, 2801 Ward Blvd. Suite 3D, Wilson NC 27893. Hope to see you there! Discussed a possible give exchange at the social limit of \$10.00 per gift.

GOOD OF THE ORDER:

USSVI – Old North State Base Facebook Page- Check it out.

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/1198129857025276/?ref=bookmarks>

BENEDICTION: Shipmate Joe Goarck said the closing prayer.

NEXT MEETING: Saturday, 9 January 2021 @ 1000, location VFW

ADJOURN MEETING: Motion made and seconded to adjourn, meeting adjourned at 1136.

SURFACE THE BOAT – Three blasts of diving alarm.

50/50 Drawing results: Winner was Phorg Cloutier. He gave his share back to the base for a total \$50.00.