

Minutes for USSVI “OLD NORTH STATE” Base Meeting

1000 Saturday 13 February 2021

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 10 members attended.

GET 50/50 TICKETS BEFORE MEETING

Cell Phones off or on vibrate

Meeting called to order by Vice Commander Joe Goarck 1001.

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

INVOCATION – Jack Murray led the opening prayer.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – Vice Commander Joe Goarck led the base in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

USSVI CREED

RECITE CREED:

“Our purpose is to perpetuate the memory of our shipmates who gave their lives in the pursuit of their duties while serving their country that their dedication, deeds, and supreme sacrifice may be a constant source of motivation toward greater accomplishments, and to pledge loyalty and patriotism to the United States of America and its Constitution.

In addition to perpetuating the memory of departed shipmates, USSVI shall provide a way for all Submariners to gather for the mutual benefit and enjoyment. Our common heritage as Submariners shall be strengthened by camaraderie. The USSVI supports a strong U.S. Submarine Force.

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 month of February was conducted by Vice Commander Joe Goarck, shipmate Will Iwaniuk tolled the bell respectively. Joe read the accounts of the five submarines and 371 men lost in the month of February. Will tolled the bell for each of the lost submarines and shipmates in solemn remembrance of our shipmates who paid the ultimate sacrifice for their country.

WWII SUBVETS – none in attendance

ALL MEETING ATTENDIES - 10 SubVet members introduced themselves by including the name of their qualification boat, the year they received their dolphins, and where they live.

Internal Patrol Memorial - None.

BINNACLE LIST –

- Joe Goarck still dealing with lung cancer issues has radiation treatment scheduled for 17 February, his wife Jean is still dealing leg problems.
- Nelson Gainey's lady friend is still healing from her broken shoulder arm and is scheduled for surgery soon to repair the damage. He also stated that he had the Covid and it was a difficult time for him but he is on the mend.
- Phrog also said he had come down with the Covid but his doctor P/x the high octane drug package and he was able to get through without too many issues. He highly recommends the drug package as soon as you are diagnosed.
- Jerry's provided an update on his oldest son's (Jerry Jr) condition, the cancer hasn't spread from behind his eye which is a change from last month when the doctors thought it had spread to his neck and jaw. He is currently on a treatment program for approx. six weeks and then have another MRI and be re-evaluated.

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 – Several members provided sea stories and lies for everyone's entertainment.

REPORTS:

NC SUBVETS CDR – Jerry Emerson

Jerry gave an update on the on the NC SubVets organization and reported that the torpedo trailer float looks like it has found a permanent storage home at a Tarheel member's Archer's Lodge BZ! Still looking for permanent home for the ONS Submarine Float. We need to find a permanent location for our base sub float due to Vince needing the space in his shop for additional equipment. If you know of any location for permanent storage for our Sub float let Vince, Jerry or myself know.

He also said the Moonshine Mtn. weekend is still on for May 14-15th.

The Big Lin Lodge still had 7 rooms available as of last week. See attachments for more information.

Jerry also said that he was going to nominate Vince for the SC District Commander position (that's what happens when you don't show up at the meeting Vince!)

BASE COMMANDER – Vince Sievert nothing (AWOL)

VICE COMMANDER – Joe Goarck nothing

SECRETARY – Jack Murray

Motion made and seconded to accept the 9 January 2021 meeting minutes as submitted. Motion passed.

TREASURER – Dennis (PHROG) Cloutier

Annual audit was completed prior to the meeting by Jerry and Franz with no findings.

- Membership report: Submitted 2-11-2021

Base Membership: 19

Multiple Base Members: 4

Associate Members: 1

Total: 24

- Financial Report: 1 January– 31 January 2021

1. Starting balance: \$2730.66

2. Receipts: \$530

Dues Receipts: \$118

50/50 revenue/contribution: \$27

Contributions/Donations: \$269

Storekeeper Revenue: \$116

3. Disbursements: \$585

National Dues receipts: \$118

VFW Hall use: \$400

**4. Ending balance of all
Accounts: \$2675.66**

**5. Net Gain (Loss) difference
between (1 & 4) \$55.00**

Notes: This report has been reconciled against the January 2021 Southern Bank statement.

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

WEB MASTER – Will Iwaniuk

None. Check out the web site <NCSubvets.org>

STORKEEPER – Dennis Loch

Member's voted to order (2) two Holland club member's (Wayne Marshall & Wade Brooks) for their upcoming induction into the Holland club. Dennis, you have authorization to order the hats.

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

HOLLAND CLUB ELIGIBILITY LIST FOR 2021: Sent to Holland Club Chairman. Jerry said that he would have the Holland club presentations for Wade Brooks, and Bruce "Wayne" Marshall at the at the March meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:

EVENTS

March – Social, dinner tentatively schedule for dinner on Friday March 12 at the Seahorse restaurant in Greenville. Phrog will check on reserving room and details. Update will be sent out by email as soon as we know. We will need a head count so if you want to attend please respond

30 April – National Awards due to Awards committee Chair

08 May – Kick off fund raiser

14-15 May - Moonshine Mtn Memorial

30 Aug -4 Sept – USSI National Convention (Orlando, FL)

GOOD OF THE ORDER:

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

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

Franz donated a painting of his Moonshine Mtn. banner to the club for display on the USSVI Sub Vet wall at the VFW. He talked about his reasons on why he painted what he did. He also provided his concerns and his thoughts of how things are going in the country and he hope that all sides could put their differences aside and come to together to turn the country around. BZ Franz!

BENEDICTION: Shipmate Joe Goarck said the closing prayer.

NEXT MEETING: Saturday, 13 March 2021 @ 1000, location VFW

ADJOURN MEETING: Motion made and seconded to adjourn, meeting adjourned at 1125.

SURFACE THE BOAT – Three blasts of diving alarm.

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