VILLAGE OF HANOVER PARK

VETERANS COMMITTEE
REGULAR MEETING

Police Headquarters: 2011 Lake Street
Hanover Park, IL 60133

Saturday, March 7, 2020
9:00 AM

MINUTES

1. CALL TO ORDER – ROLL CALL
Rick Roberts called meeting to order at 9:10 am.

PRESENT: Committee Members: Bruce Baier
         Frank Euliano
         June Euliano
         Tom Fortney
         Ron Frosheiser
         Ken Greisemer
         David Martinez
         Mark Parlanti
         Rick Roberts
         Dave Warkel

ABSENT: Executive Committee Members: Jim Lopez

ALSO PRESENT: T. J. Moore
               Michele Salazar
               Mayor Craig

ALSO ABSENT: Steve Wilson
2. ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA
   Motion by: Rick
   Second by: Ken
   Vote: All Ayes

3. PRESENTATIONS/REPORTS:

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:
   Motion by: Rick to approve minutes of February 2020
   Second by: Mark
   Vote: All Ayes

5. ACTION ITEMS:

6. TOWNHALL SESSION:

7. OLD BUSINESS (NON-ACTION ITEMS):
   7a. Veterans Committee Christmas Tree Decorations
       Tom presented the Christmas decorations that he crafted. He stated that
       these ornaments have no cost to the committee members and next year could
       have the ranks added to them. Mark will donate an ornament from the
       National Museum of Marine Corps and will bring it to the next committee
       meeting.
   7b. Four Freedoms
       Mayor stated that the Forest Preserve District surrendering an area in which
       a park can be built is a work in progress. Ken offered support to the Mayor
       stating that the Veterans Committee can assist with trying to move the land
       project forward by composing a letter. This letter would emphasize the
       importance of the land to the success of their project. T.J. mentioned that
       obtaining the property is the first step since the design of the park is a
       function of the property.
   7c. Brick Advertisement
       David informed all of the committee members that the “Hanover Park
       Veterans Committee Commemorative Memorial Brick Program” video can
       be seen on YouTube and encouraged everyone to take a look. David offered
       to work on a Spanish version of this video.

8. NEW BUSINESS (NON-ACTION ITEMS):
   8-a. Open Discussion
       - Rick brought the DuPage Veterans Resource Fair to everyone’s attention.
- Mayor recommended all Veterans obtain a VA card that offers many valuable services to them.
- Rick mentioned that he spoke with Nikki and that she is doing well after the tornadoes in Nashville.
- Rick suggested that the location for the Veterans Committee table at the Touch A Truck event last year was not ideal. T.J. may change the layout for this year’s event.
- The Veterans Committee will attempt to get a table for the Kids at Hope event. The emphasis will be on handing out flags instead of recruiting new members like in previous years.

8-b. The Mayor believes that our Memorial Day Observance Ceremony is solemn, but represents the community. Rick would like to bring new ideas to the table for our Memorial Day event and wants suggestions for a guest speaker at the next meeting.

8-c. Rick mentioned reaching out to Jim Lucas and having him come to the next committee meeting to give more information on his project and to see if any members would want to get involved. Ellen Ritter has also shown interest in educating our members on insurance terminology.

8-d. Next Meeting – April 4, 2020

9. **ADJOURNMENT:**
   Motion by: Rick to adjourn at 9:40 AM
   Second by: Bruce
   Vote: All Ayes