

## **Tinley Park Veterans Commission Minutes of the November 11, 2020 Meeting**

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited, and the meeting was called to order by the Chairman at 7:02 p.m.

**P=Present / E=Excused / A=Absent**

P- Doug Rasmussen - Chairman	A- Board Liaison (None)
P- Roxane Tyssen - Secretary	A- Pat Carr - Staff Liaison
A- Robert Baisa	P- Robert Bullard -US Sub Vets
P- Chris Hansley - VFW Aux. Pres.	A- Jim Hudik
P- Jimmy Hunter	E- Norm Pestlin
A- Eva Reyes - AVMRA	E- Georges Sanon
P- Jim Taylor - Amer.Legion Cmdr.	A- Karen Tobola
P-Don Tomich - MCL, Commandant	E- Ken Wrezzes – VFW Cmdr

### **Chairman's Comments:**

Announcements regarding COVID meeting requirements were made.

### **Corrections/additions to minutes of the last meeting:**

Corrections to October 2020 Minutes: President needs to be added to Chris Hansley's title, Commandant needs to be added to Don Tomich's title, and VFW Commander needs to be added to Kenny Wrezzes title. Jimmy Hunter motioned to accept the minutes as corrected, Bob Bullard seconded, all in favor, motion passed to accept the minutes with corrections.

### **Remarks by Liaison:**

No Report.

### **Static Display for Veterans Parkway:**

Chairman Rasmussen gave an update on the static display at Veteran's Parkway.

- Things are moving forward on relocating the memorial granite from the Howe Development Center to the Parkway location, it should be relocated within the next two weeks.
- Blue & Gold Star Memorial: Jimmy Hunter had the stars for the memorial refurbished with automotive paint.
- M22 Deck Guns: Nothing new to report.
- M84 Safety Precautions: No further actions need to be taken.
- Sherman Tank & Howitzer Cannon: Nothing to report.

### **Education in Art in Public Buildings:**

- Mark D. Iwinski, Band Director at Victor J. Andrew High School was at the Veteran's Day Ceremony and accepted the artwork.

### **Memorial Flag and Citation:**

- Chris Hansley reported that we are still waiting for the flag that was ordered.

### **Banner Program\*:**

- Discussions are tabled for the time being.

### **Correspondence:**

- Chairman Rasmussen stated there was nothing to report.

### **New Business:**

- Veteran's Day Ceremony Recap -
  - Overall everything went well. There were many people that watched it live. Although Governor Quinn ran a bit late, his speech was well received.
  - An edited video should be available online for viewing on the Village's website.

### **REPORTS:**

#### Report from the American Legion:

- Due to COVID, most events have been canceled. The Sons of the American Legion have a blood drive coming up, reservations must be made to donate.
- In December the Son's will be participating in Wreath's Across America.

#### Report from the VFW:

- Nothing to report.

#### Report from the Marine Corps League:

- Nothing to report.

#### Report from the Chicago Base U.S. Submarine Veterans:

- Nothing to report

#### Report from the VFW Auxiliary:

- The food drives are still going on, ending on November 15. Donations have already been delivered (875lbs) and were split between our local food banks.

#### Report from the Korean War Veterans (KWVA)/Military Order of the Purple Heart (MOPH):

- KWVA – There was a November meeting however the next meeting will not be until February 4, 2021.
- MOPH – Nothing to report.

#### Report from AVMRA:

- Nothing to report.

### **Any other business:**

- Flyers for the Banner Program and Brick Program were distributed to commissioners. The flyers in the hall were replaced with the new copies. The revised flyers have also been posted at the VFW.

### **Comments from the public:**

None.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:47 p.m. The next Veteran's Commission meeting will be held December 9, 2020.

\*The military Banner Program can be found here: [https://www.tinleypark.org/news\\_detail\\_T5\\_R241.php](https://www.tinleypark.org/news_detail_T5_R241.php)