Arnold Veterans Commission Meeting Minutes

Date: February 17, 2016 Time: 3:50 P.M. Place: Arnold City Hall 2101 Jeffco Blvd. Arnold, MO 63010

Present: Mike Evans Jerry Winter Carolyn Doty Julie Rose Randy Hoselton David "Moose" McArthur II Phil Amato Gary Plunk

Guests: Mayor Ron Counts Bryan Richison

- 1. Opening: Since Meeting was held on 2<sup>nd</sup> floor conference room with no flag present we dispensed with saying Pledge of Allegiance.
- 2. Minutes from the October and November Special Meeting A motion was made by Julie Rose and Seconded by Jerry Winter to approve. Unanimously approved.
- 3. Mike informed us that The Director of Veterans Affairs, Larry Kay will not be available to visit us in person until after the session is finished.
- 4. Discussion as to how the Veteran's Day Parade should be handled next year. There were entrants that should not have been allowed in the Parade. A motion was made by Julie Rose and Seconded by Jerry Winter to give the registration sheets to Susie Boone, Parks and Recreation Director. This will assure those who have pre-registered will be the only person/persons allowed in the Parade. We will schedule a meeting with Susie a few weeks before the Parade to go over the registration forms and she will be aware of who are allowed

in the Parade. In the future we would like most of the participants in the Parade to be Veterans.

- 5. 2015 Recap:
  - The Flag Initiative was a success for 2015 as we collected 350 Flags.
  - We were able to have support from different Businesses such as Boeing.
  - Purchased a Trailer to keep the Flags and miscellaneous items that we may need during the upcoming years.
  - The Veteran's Day Parade was the largest one so far.
  - Members of the Commission attended a Stand Down in Lemay, MO.
  - Council Members helped the Commission put up the Christmas tree at a location near Wendy's.
  - We still hope to pass Legislative for a Missouri Veteran's Home to be located in Arnold.
- 6. Since Dave and Diane West have left the Commission there is 2 open positions available that need to be filled. After discussion it was decided that we should hold an interview session with David "Moose" McArthur, Randy Hoselton and Gary Plunk to handle the interview process. It was noted that we need 7 Voting, with 3 Veterans, 2 recommended by the VFW Post 2593, 2 additional members and 1 alternate. The new members will need to be accepted by the Mayor and approved by Council.
- 7. Mike Evans is vacating the Chairman of the Commission and a replacement needs to be voted on. His Commission is up in August, but Mike is stepping down in March 2016. He has held the Chairman position since the Commission started in August of 2013. It was decided to go ahead with nominations at this meeting.
- 8. Jerry Winter nominated David "Moose" McArthur II. Mike Evans nominated Julie Rose if she did not take the position then he said he would nominate Carolyn Doty. Both stated that they did not want the position.
- 9. Randy Hoselton made a motion and seconded by Jerry Winter to go ahead and hold the election tonight. Approved.

- 10. A vote of 5 yes and 1 abstain. David "Moose" McArthur II was voted in as the new Chairman to take office in March.
- 11. Mayor Ron Counts asked that we announce the new Chairman at the Council Meeting on February 18<sup>th</sup>. There was a discussion whether or not to change meeting time. After some discussion it was determined to keep the time at 4:00 p.m.
- 12. Jerry Winter stated that he would like to purchase ball caps to be sold/raffled off at our Arnold Days booth.
- 13. Adjournment: A motion was made by Jerry Winter and seconded by Randy Hoselton. Approved.
- 14. Meeting was adjourned at 5:08 P.M.

Next Regular Meeting is scheduled for March 16, 2016 at 4:00 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted by Julie Rose, Secretary

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