Isanti County Beyond the Yellow Ribbon Task Force Armed Forces Reserve and Community Center

Meeting Minutes: May 16, 2019

Member Attendance:

х	Jim R		Erven S.		Scott F		Randy P
Х	Susan M		Kerri K	Х	Adam F		Cory B
	Gail G	Х	Curtis A	Х	John W		Chris C
Х	Kathy R	х	Richard N		Curt H		Pauline A
Х	Carol Ann S		Mary F	Х	Dan J		Heidi B
Х	Jim J		Bob F	Х	Doug M		Terry L
	David O		Randy H		Lisa S		Cathy B
	Dan M (CVSO)	х	Walt M		Sandra S		Don C
	Perseke, Sgt Major Dan	х	Pam M		Robin, Sgt Bryan		Jessica H
Х	Brad B	х	Sean W		Deanna B	Х	Guest: Karla D
Х	Bruce D		Barbara K		Ben B	Х	Guest: Kris M
Х	Brent L		Andrea D		Helen S	Х	Guest: Kathy K
	Candi L		Jeremy M		Stacey B	Х	Guest: Jada O

Agenda Item	Discussion	Motions/Action Taken
Call to Order		Meeting was called to Order
		at 1908 by Chair Jim R
Pledge of		Meeting opened with the
Allegiance		Pledge of Allegiance
Introductions	Members and guests present introduced themselves	Welcome new members and
		guests!
Guest	Kathy Kraft, North Case Manager, from the Minnesota Assistance	
	Council for Veterans (MACV) gave a presentation about the organization.	
	Their vision is to end veteran homelessness in Minnesota. They	
	were formed in 1990 and are a 501(c)3 non-profit. They focus on	
	veterans who are homeless, about to become homeless, or having a	
	life crisis that affects their housing.	
	The state is divided into 3 regions with offices in the metro,	
	Mankato and Duluth. Kathy covers 11 counties including Isanti. Her	
	office is in Princeton. Examples were given of how MAC-V	
	collaborates with the CVSO and BYR. Funding is from federal and	
	state funds and private donors.	
	There are 240 homeless veterans on their Registry!	
	Kathy thanks ICBYR for our partnership.	Information accepted
	A Standdown with job fair and legal clinic is being planned at the AFRCC in September. More details to follow.	
	Please see below for MACV handouts	

	PUF	
	MACV	
Secretary Report	Handouts-Complete Minutes of the April meeting were distributed by	Motion: A motion was made
Carol Ann S	e-mail on May 14	by (Brad B) and seconded (Susan M) to approve the minutes. Minutes approved.
Treasurer Report Kathy R.	Income and expenses were reviewed for April: Income includes: private donors and dinner dance income Expenditures were: phone bill, direct assistance, dinner dance expenses, Braham Pie Day registration, Braham Area Chamber of Commerce dues, donation to Polaris Battalion, scholarship reception expenses, brochure printing & displays	Motion: A motion was made by (Jim B) and seconded (Brad B) to accept report and file it for audit. Motion approved.
	(1)	Our gratitude to our donors
Chair's Report Jim R	 Veterans issues: (Jim R) Referral from 850th FRG Leader – soldier needs assistance with clogged kitchen sink – Jim R assessed – plumber called and bill paid Request for meals – veteran's wife with cancer – refer to email about "Meal Train". Dan M will check with the family to see if they have other needs Referral from FAC – 850th soldier needs help with bills – he has not answered our phone call or email 	Information accepted
	 Events: Senior Resource Fair – table staffed by Jim R, Brad B & Susan Chisago Lakes BTYR Proclamation Ceremony – May 4 – Jim, Gail, Susan, and Carol Ann attended Braham Business Expo – table staffed by Jim & Brad B – not a lot of traffic, but went well. American Flag drawing for prize. May Executive Board meeting. Please refer meeting summary emailed May 13th	Information accepted
Committee	Website Committee: Scott F	
Reports:	 No report – Chair absent Scott retired yesterday from the MN State Patrol!! 	
	Resource/Brochure Committee Report: Gail No report – Chair absent	
	Billboard Committee: Brad B • Will take pictures of all signs and assess need for repair or replacement	

Ideas of where to place new signs?

Information accepted

Community Service Resource Coordinator: Carol Ann S.

- Sent email about "Meal Train" for veteran family in need of meals
- Reported on Chamber of Commerce networking meeting

BYR Friends Coordinator: Jessica H

• No report – Chair absent

Packages for the Deployed Community Liaison: Dan J.

- Please save magazines for troop mailings
- Plan on mailing packages in June to USS Abraham
 Lincoln deployed until October bring box items to
 June Task Force meeting
- Hope to get high school students to write letters to the sailors

Congregational Committee: Brent L

- Has Bibles for troop packages
- Will touch base with Reboot Combat Recovery program at the church in Grandy. Focus on PTSD.

School Liaison: Randy P

No report - Chair absent

Law Enforcement Liaison: Scott FNo report – Chair absent

Scholarship Committee: Bruce D & Dan J

- Scholarships awarded at April Task Force meeting.
 Fantastic night! See article in County News Review
- Will re-present at the CIHS and Monticello High School Scholarship events (Brad to Monticello, Dan M & Carol Ann to CIHS)

Fundraising: Gail G

- No report Chair absent
- Jim R stated the 2020 Dinner Dance will be March 28 and the theme is "Mardi Gras"

Investment Coordinator Quarterly Report: Gail G

• No report – Chair absent

Information accepted

Upcoming Events	ICBYR Events:	
ICBYR	1. Braham Appreciation Days Parade – June 1 – Parade at	Information accepted
	1300 (line up at high school at 1230)	
	2. Cambridge Day Out – June 1 – 0930-1300 – Karla &	
	Carol Ann to staff booth. Jim R & Dave O to set-	
	up/take down tent	
	3. Red Bull Military Appreciation Days – June 30 – Gail G,	
	Richard N, and Jim J to staff booth	
	4. Isanti Rodeo Days Jubilee Parade – July 11 –	
	application done via website	
	5. Polaris Battalion Car Show – July 13	
	6. Freedom Fest – July 24	
	7. Isanti County Fair – July 24-28 – paperwork due June	
	15	
	8. Braham Pie Day – August 2	
	9. Golf Tournament – September 20	
YYROC Report:	Community Forces Conference	
Rachel J	May 22nd - Bethel University - 8:00 p.m 2:00 p.m.	
(Email)	Pine City Yellow Ribbon is being re-energized and will have	
	their first meeting on Monday, May 20th 5:30 p.m. at the	Information accepted
	Pine City Armory. Jada Osterdyk and Jan Carl are points of	
	contact. I am super excited for their community and look	
	forward to how progress!	
	Grant County is working on becoming a Yellow Ribbon Grant Wishelf marking in May 16 from 5.00 7.00 mg.	
	 County. Kickoff meeting is May 16 from 5:00 - 7:00 p.m. Congratulations to Chisago Lakes on being proclaimed on 	
	May 4th! Thank you, Isanti County Yellow Ribbon for all	
	your assistance and support you have provided them	
	through their progress. It is great to see the collaboration	
	and all the great work you continue to do and the positive	
	influence you provide to not just your county but to the	
	region! I am very grateful to all you do.	
	Paratag City Caynail and deign ad May 4 at an Day and the	
	Proctor City Council proclaimed May 1st as Beyond the Yellow Ribbon Day in the City of Proctor. This is the first	
	city (that I know of) that has proclaimed an official	
	day. Super excited to see this and their continued	
	dedication to their local network!	
	Attended the Military Academy presentation in Proctor on	
	May 9th with Congressman Pete Stauber. He was not in	
	attendance, however his staff was there. This is the second	
	event and they will be looking at having more in the	
	future. If this is something you are interested in doing in	
	your area please let me know and I will get you connect with his staff. I am working on writing up all the	
	information from the presentation and will send out to the	
	networks in the next week.	

Old Business	None	
New Business:	Does ICBYR want to participate in the Braham Apprecia Days parade?	ation Yes – will participate. Secretary to file application. Jim R to coordinate pick-up/ walking. Four volunteers so far. Secretary to send email to Task Force
	2) Does ICBYR want to participate in Cambridge Day Out?	Yes – will participate. Carol Ann & Karla will staff the booth. Jim R/Dave O to set- up take down tent
	3) Do we want to give away an American Flag at the Courbooth each day of the fair?	Motion: A motion was made by (Brad B) and seconded (Richard N) to purchase American Flags and give one away each day at the county fair. After discussion, motion amended to give 2 flags away each day (Brad B; Brent L). Motion approved
	4) Is ICBYR going to give a donation to the Veterans Mem Park, INC? Susan M gave an explanation of the memorial park and purchase bricks or support the effort. Model can be set the American Legion in Cambridge. Ground breaking so Discussion held – should we invite them to share our IC booth.	d how to een at oon. discuss and bring recommendation to June Task Force meeting
Open Agenda	 Fishing for Life: Army Birthday June 13 Armed Forces Fun Celebration on Lake Minnetonka Free event for military/veteran families Armed Forces Fishing Celebration/AUSA Birthday Party Thursday, June 13 – 0800-1400 Lord Fletchers on Lake Minnetonka Free fish fry picnic lunch – fishing contest – boats & eq provided – shore/dock fishing provided – boat tours av Sponsored by Twin Cities Muskies, Inc & the Optimists 	Information accepted quipment vailable

	Volunteers needed for registration, boat guides, shore helpers, set up crew and clean up crew	
Open Agenda	 MN BYR Joining Community Forces state conference May 22 – Roseville (Bethel) North 65 Chamber of Commerce Golf Outing – July 29 – Purple Hawk Polaris Battalion Fundraising breakfast – June 30 – Forest Lake VFW 0800-1200 National Volunteer week – Thanks to all CIBYR volunteers!! You volunteered 2,700 hours in 2018, which is a value of \$76,000!!! A reminder there is no July Task Force meeting due to the Isanti County Fair 	Information accepted
Open Agenda	 PAWWS - Annual spring walk to help our veterans and their service dog's needs! Come Meet Onamia's Veteran Service Dog Team!!! When: June 1, 2019 Where: Onamia Depot Library Parking Lot 204 Roosevelt Road Onamia, MN Time: 10:00 AM 	Information accepted
Adjournment		Motion: A motion was made by (Susan M) and seconded (Brad B) to adjourn meeting. Motion approved & meeting adjourned at 2040

Submitted by: Carol Ann Smith, ICBYR Secretary

Next Meeting: June 20, 2019 7:00-8:30 p.m. AFRCC

Link to the Military Action Group:

https://www.revisor.mn.gov/bills/status_result.php?body=House&search=committee&session=0902017&committee_id =90022&submit_committee=GO

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