

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

**Meeting Minutes October 15, 2020**

**Member Attendance:**

x	Jim R		Erven S.		Scott F		Karla D
	Susan M		Kerri K		Adam F		
	Gail G		Curtis A	x	John W		Chris C
x	Kathy R		Richard N		Curt H		Pauline A
x	Carol Ann S	x	Mary F		Dan J		Heidi B
x	Jim J	x	Bob F		Doug M		Terry L
	David O		Randy H		Nanci M		Cathy B
	Dan M (CVSO)		Walt M		Erin Y		
	Jesse P		Pam M		Robin, Sgt Bryan		
	Brad B	x	Sean W		Deanna B		Rachel J - YYROC
	Bruce D		Jessica H		Ben B		Guest:
	Brent L		Andrea D		Helen S		Guest:
	Candi L		Jeremy M		Stacey B		Guest:

<b>Agenda Item</b>	<b>Discussion</b>	<b>Motions/Action Taken</b>
<b>Call to Order</b>		Meeting was called to Order at 1903 by Chair
<b>Pledge of Allegiance</b>		Meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance
<b>Presentation</b>	None	
<b>Secretary Report Carol Ann S</b>	Minutes of the September meeting were distributed by mail and email	<b>Motion:</b> A motion was made by (Mary F) and seconded (Sean W) to approve the minutes. <b>Minutes approved.</b>
<b>Treasurer Report Kathy R</b>	Income and expenses were reviewed for September: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Income includes: private donors, foundation donor, golf tournament sponsorships &amp; registrations, and a donation from Zimmerman American Legion Riders</li> <li>Expenditures included: phone bill, direct assistance to veterans (\$816.92), insurance, golf tournament expenses, Veterans Memorial Park donation, Holiday "gas only" gift cards for S&amp;FRS Office at AFRCC, signs</li> </ul>	Report to be filed for audit. (Jim J & Sean W)  Our gratitude to our donors
<b>Chair's Report Jim R</b>	<u><b>Veterans issues:</b></u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Veteran requests assistance with car repair – fuel injector and spark plugs. Task Force approved \$544.84 – question on bill discussed with repair shop - PAID</li> <li>Soldier requests assistance through CVSO for funeral luncheon food – deceased soldier from Isanti County – Unit meeting at Cambridge AFRCC</li> </ul>	Issues discussed and information accepted

	<p>to view funeral via livestream – Executive Board approved up to \$300 for food expenses – S&amp;FRS at AFRCC will assist with luncheon - \$124.90 PAID</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Follow-up on homeless veteran with young grandson – ICBYR paid for 3 nights at Cambridge motel – MAC-V working with veteran</li> <li>• Surviving spouse from Cambridge needs assistance with rides to cancer radiation treatment for 3 days. Also needs grab bars installed in shower</li> <li>• Veteran needs help moving chair and couch – DONE October 13 by Brad &amp; Gil</li> <li>• CVSO requests 20 Cub Foods and 20 Holiday “fuel only” gift cards for office</li> <li>• Veteran requests assistance with medical bills – meeting with CVSO to determine need</li> </ul> <p><b><u>CARES Act Grand Funds:</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Grant application submitted September 28. Email received that our application is under consideration.</li> </ul> <p><b><u>October Executive Board</u></b> meeting: Please refer meeting summary sent by email</p>	<p>Information accepted</p> <p>Information accepted</p> <p>Information accepted</p>
<p><b>Committee Reports:</b></p>	<p><b>Website Committee:</b> Scott F</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No report – chair absent</li> </ul> <p><b>Resource/Brochure Committee Report:</b> Gail via email</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Nothing new to report</li> </ul> <p><b>Billboard Committee:</b> Brad B</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No report – chair absent</li> <li>• Gail stated (via email) signs were purchased</li> </ul> <p><b>Community Service Resource Coordinator:</b> Carol Ann S.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• North 65 Chamber of Commerce meeting next week</li> <li>• Twin Cities VAMC Suicide Prevention Coalition meeting monthly. Provided contact information for MN Highway Patrol (from Scott), HCMC, “My Next Mission”, and S&amp;FRS at Cambridge AFRCC</li> <li>• Box of books received from Cambridge Library for troop boxes. Delivered to Dan J</li> <li>• Provided Cambridge Library with information on audiobooks for blind &amp; print disable veterans and spouses</li> <li>• Coordinate furniture move for veteran</li> <li>• Met new Executive Director at SACS</li> </ul> <p><b>BYR Friends Coordinator:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No report – Chair position open</li> </ul>	<p>Information accepted</p> <p>Information accepted</p>


	<p><b>Packages for the Deployed Community Liaison:</b> Dan J. via text</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Introduced to Lil S&amp;FRS – requesting her assistance finding names to send troop boxes to</li> <li>• Requesting ICBYR stationery &amp; address labels for letters to Commanders</li> </ul> <p><b>Congregational Committee:</b> Brent L</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No report – Chair absent</li> </ul> <p><b>School Liaison:</b> Bruce D via email</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• CIHS made a request for flags – referred to Isanti VFW</li> </ul> <p><b>Law Enforcement Liaison:</b> Scott F</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No report – chair absent</li> </ul> <p><b>Scholarship Committee:</b> Bruce D via email</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Looking forward to Scholarship process for 2021.</li> <li>• Awaiting Golf Tournament funds for scholarships</li> </ul> <p><b>Investment Coordinator:</b> Gail via email</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter investments down 24.9% from January</li> <li>• Good news is that we have \$5,140 in income that is re-invested</li> <li>• Incurred \$458 in investment fees</li> </ul> <p><b>Fundraising:</b> Gail G via email</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Golf Tournament quite successful. Awaiting arrival of one more sponsorship check, and then can tally profit after expenses</li> </ul>	<p>Information accepted</p> <p>Information accepted</p> <p>Information accepted</p> <p>Information accepted</p> <p>Information accepted</p>
<b>Upcoming Events</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• None at this time</li> </ul>	
<b>YYROC Report:</b> Rachel J	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• State BYR fall meeting will be virtual via Zoom October 27 from 1200-1330. Registration information will be sent by email or refer to the PowerPoint at the end of the minutes</li> <li>• Experience 2020 to be held virtually October 29. This includes a virtual MAC-V Standown. Registration information to be sent by email or refer to PowerPoint at the end of the minutes</li> </ul>	<p>Information accepted</p>
<b>Old Business</b>	None	
<b>New Business:</b>	<p>Vote on Veterans Needs:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Soldier requests assistance through CVSO for funeral luncheon food – deceased soldier from Isanti County – Unit meeting at Cambridge AFRCC to view funeral via livestream – Executive Board approved up to \$300 for food expenses – S&amp;FRS at AFRCC will assist with luncheon - \$124.90 PAID</li> <li>• Follow-up on homeless veteran with young grandson – ICBYR paid for 3 nights at Cambridge motel – \$327.94. MAC-V working with veteran</li> </ul>	<p><b>Motion:</b> A motion was made by (Jim J) and seconded (Sean W) to pay these direct</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>CVSO requests 20 Cub Foods and 20 Holiday “fuel only” gift cards in the amount of \$25 each - \$1,000 total</li> </ul>	support requests. <b>Motion approved.</b>
<b>New Business</b>	<p>Vote on support for Veterans Day Dinners:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Discussion held on ICBYR support for the Cambridge American Legion, Cambridge American Legion Auxiliary and the Isanti VFW to support their Veterans Day dinners if they have one in 2020.</li> </ul>	<b>Motion:</b> A motion was made by (Jim J) and seconded (Bob F) to provide up to \$500 to each of the organizations to assist with their Veterans Day dinners. <b>Motion approved.</b>
<b>Open Agenda</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Veterans Memorial Park update: Dedication ceremony went extremely well. Beautiful day. Estimate 400 attended. Broadcast live on FaceBook and KBK. Jim R shared pictures. See the VMP FaceBook page for more pictures and the drone video. You can also watch the dedication ceremony.</li> <li>November Executive Board meeting moved to November 10<sup>th</sup> due to the Veterans Day Holiday.</li> <li>Pine City Blue Star Moms – pack boxes for Troops November 15 at 2:00 pm Braham Event Center - Volunteers and donations needed</li> <li>Cards for Veterans at GracePointe Crossing – please sign the cards circulating tonight for the 6 Veterans living at GPC who do not have family to visit them</li> <li>Changes to the Veterans Transportation Service (VTS) at the St. Cloud VA Health Care System: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The scheduled shuttle that transported Veterans to the Minneapolis VA for medical appointments on a regular basis has been cancelled.</li> <li>The VTS will take care of all transportation needs for all Veteran appointments. Veterans can call the VTS staff at (320) 654-7622 to arrange a ride to a medical appointment.</li> </ul> </li> <li>Snowflake Parade cancelled</li> <li>The Cambridge American Legion raffle drawing is November 11</li> </ul>	Information accepted
<b>Adjournment</b>		<b>Motion:</b> A motion was made by (Mary F) and seconded (Jim J)

		to adjourn meeting. <b>Motion approved &amp; meeting adjourned at 2002</b>
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Submitted by: Carol Ann Smith, ICBYR Secretary

**Next Meeting:                    November 19, 2020                    7:00-8:30 p.m.                    AFRCC**

<b>October Task Force Meeting PowerPoint</b>	 October 2020 Task Force Meeting PP fo
<b>September Military History</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>October 13, 1775</b> - The United States Navy was born after the Second Continental Congress authorized the acquisition of a fleet of ships</li> <li>• <b>October 20, 1944</b> - During World War II in the Pacific, General Douglas MacArthur set foot on Philippine soil for the first time since his escape in 1942, fulfilling his promise, "I shall return."</li> </ul>
<b>Viewable Link for ICBYR Goggle Sign Map:</b>	<a href="https://www.google.com/maps/d/viewer?mid=19P7VjNkq81qUQQF281XcPCLhvf91gk1O&amp;ll=45.58600856114631%2C-93.29518274999998&amp;z=11">https://www.google.com/maps/d/viewer?mid=19P7VjNkq81qUQQF281XcPCLhvf91gk1O&amp;ll=45.58600856114631%2C-93.29518274999998&amp;z=11</a>
<b>Link to the Military Action Group:</b>	<a href="https://www.revisor.mn.gov/bills/status_result.php?body=House&amp;search=committee&amp;session=0902017&amp;committee_id=90022&amp;submit_committee=GO">https://www.revisor.mn.gov/bills/status_result.php?body=House&amp;search=committee&amp;session=0902017&amp;committee_id=90022&amp;submit_committee=GO</a>
<b>Veterans Crisis Line</b>	1-800-273-8255 Press 1