

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

Meeting Minutes November 19, 2021

Member Attendance:

x	Jim R	x	Scott F			Pauline	
x	Susan M	x	John W		Adam F	Heidi B	
x	Gail G		Curtis A		Jeremy M	Terry L	
	Kathy R		Richard N		Curt H	Cathy B	
x	Carol Ann S	x	Mary F				
x	Jim J	x	Bob F		Doug M		
	David O		Randy H		Nanci M		
	Dan M (CVSO)		Walt M		Erin Y (CVSO office)		
	Jesse P		Pam M		Robin, Sgt Bryan	x	Adam V – S&FRS
x	Brad B	x	Sean W	X	Sherry P	x	Rachel J - YYROC
x	Bruce D		Jessica H	x	Chuck P		Guest:
	Brent L		Andrea D (DEED)		Chris C		Guest:
	Candi L				Stacey B		Guest:

Agenda Item	Discussion	Motions/Action Taken
Call to Order		Meeting was called to Order at 1902 by Jim R
Pledge of Allegiance		Meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance
Secretary Report	Minutes of the October meeting were distributed by mail and email Thank you Kathy!	Motion: A motion was made by (Brad Bonded (Mary F) to approve the minutes. Minutes approved.
Treasurer Report	Income and expenses were reviewed for October: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Income includes: golf tournament, donation from Shalom and private donors • Expenditures included: phone bill, Signs by Jill and Cub Food Cards for CVSO 	Report accepted and set aside for Our gratitude to our donors
Chair's Report Jim R	<u>Veterans issues:</u> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. CVSO - request for handicap ramp installed by Brad, Gil, Scott and Jim b. Wright Tree Service request to "Adopt a Soldier" – selected local veteran c. CVSO request for assistance with well repair - \$1,114 – see New Business for vote 	Information accepted

	<p>d. CVSO request for assistance with propane tank fill (\$820) and electric bill (\$296.78)</p> <p>e. ‘Meals from the Heart’ – 24 bags of groceries delivered to Cambridge AFRCC for soldiers in need - \$30 per box x 24 = \$720 – THANK YOU Sean for driving! See New Business for vote</p> <p>f. Veterans Day dinners – see New Business for vote</p> <p>g. Voucher for Shalom Shop – Newly created voucher for CVSO & SFRS to give to veterans/soldiers in need. Thanks to Dave O for working with Shalom on this and to Gail for creating the voucher.</p> <p>December Board of Directors Meeting:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Please see meeting summary sent by email <p>Nomination of ICBYR Officers for 2022:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Please see New Business 	<p>Information accepted</p> <p>Information accepted</p>
<p>Committee Reports:</p>	<p>Website/Social Media Committee:</p> <p>Website Report: Scott F</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tweet sent to 41 followers to remind them of meeting • Website doing well 72,862 total hits since created • Running out of room to post agendas, minutes, photos and PDFs. Scott suggests we keep 3 years on the website and archive the older items on the hard drive. Sean may have another option. They will discuss. • Will need Snowflake Parade photos <p>FaceBook Report: Susan M</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Quilt distribution at GracePointe Crossing photos posted • Photos from American Legion Riders Purse Bingo which benefited ICBYR • Affinity Plus check award • Lots of new “likes” • Advertising Sage Cleaning fundraiser for ICBYR <p>Resource/Brochure Committee Report: Gail G</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nothing new to report • <p>Billboard Committee: Brad B</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Billboard by Hwys 95 & 47 destroyed when road construction in progress. Brad and Gil replaced. • Have 9 signs in stock • 1 sign used for float • New signs easy to install and carry • Our thanks to Brad for storing the float, billboards, & ramps <p>Community Service Resource Coordinator: Carol Ann S.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Worked with Wright Tree Service on “Adopt-a-Soldier” • Coordinated with Sean and Rachel on Meals from the Heart distribution • Picked up toys from the Dollar Tree Store in Ham Lake for “Operation Homefront” and delivered them to the S&FRS at the Cambridge AFRCC. Very generous customers!! 13 boxes of toys (515 toys)!! 	<p>Information accepted</p> <p>Information accepted</p> <p>Information accepted</p> <p>Thank you Brad!</p> <p>Information accepted</p>

	<p>BYR Friends Coordinator: Susan M</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Applications being sent to 2 businesses interested in becoming ICBYR Friends <p>Packages for the Deployed Community Liaison: (position open)</p> <p>Congregational Committee: (position open)</p> <p>School Liaison: Bruce D</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Keeping schools informed on issues relating to military families. Sending flyers and newsletters forward • Cambridge Primary School will host “Silent Dismissal” again in 2022. Bruce invited to be on the Planning Committee! • Cambridge Primary School 2nd Graders wrote letters and colored flyers for soldiers. Task Force members viewed them. CVSO and S&FRS will take and distribute them at their respective drill weekends. <p>Law Enforcement Liaison: Jesse</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No report – Chair absent <p>Scholarship Committee: Bruce D</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • First meeting was at 6:00 pm before tonight’s Task Force meeting • Requesting amount available from Golf Tournament proceeds • Would like 1-2 new members. Susan M volunteered. Thank you Susan! • Reviewed 2021 process. Recommend no changes to application. Discussed deadline dates <p>Fundraising: Gail G</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Golf Tournament made an excellent profit. Thanks to our incredible sponsors and amazing volunteers! Committee to meet to decide how proceeds will be distributed. • Affinity Plus employees voted for ICBYR to receive \$5,600 from the Affinity Foundation!! • ICBYR Dinner Dance will be March 2022. Theme is “Mardi Gras”. Need to check with AFRCC on date availability. Need Chair of Committee – Susan M volunteered. THANK YOU SUSAN!! 	<p>Information accepted</p> <p>Information accepted</p> <p>Information accepted</p>
<p>Investment Coordinator Quarterly Report</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Investments are doing extremely well. Balance currently higher than it has ever been 	<p>Information accepted</p>
<p>Upcoming Events</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lighted Snowflake Parade – Cambridge – November 20 – meet the float and Sean’s pick-up at the ARCC parking lot between 4:30-5:00 pm. We will be parked along 2nd Avenue by the river, unit #16. Many thanks to Brad, Bruce, Scott and Susan for the work on the float!! Now have an 8’ Yellow Ribbon! Plus a lot of lights. 	<p>Information accepted</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Purse Bingo – Jan 22 – hosted by American Legion Riders – at Englund’s on Long Lake (formerly Captain’s) ICBYR Dinner Dance “Mardi Gras” March 19 or 26 	
YROC Report: Rachel J (via email)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Meals from the Heart – over 500 bags of groceries distributed on November 17 in MN with some to SD and ND. BYR Companies will also distribute turkeys. A December distribution is planned. Spiritual Wellness seminar was recorded and is available for viewing November 30 event to pack food for the December Meals from the Heart December 1 “Coffee Talk” will be a 2021 summary Family Learning Network series available online December 17 Meals from the Heart distribution 	Information accepted
Old Business	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> None 	
New Business: Vote on Veterans’ Issues	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Request for assistance with well repair - \$1,114 Request for assistance with propane tank fill and electric bill – total \$1116.78 ‘Meals from the Heart’ – 24 bags of groceries delivered to Cambridge AFRCC for soldiers in need - \$30 per box x 24 = \$720 – Suggest ICBYR donate \$720 to Meals from the Heart Veterans Day dinners – Suggest ICBYR donate \$500 to Isanti VFW and Cambridge American Legion to support the dinners 	Motion: A motion was made by (Bob F) and seconded (Mary F) to pay for the well repair. Motion approved Motion: A motion was made by (Bruce D) and seconded (Bob F) to pay for the propane and electricity bill. Motion approved
New Business: Nominations for 2022 ICBYR Officers	Nominations opened for 2022 ICBYR Officers Nominations for Chair: Jim R (Susan/Brad) Nominations for Vice Chair: Dave O (Gail/Carol Ann) Nominations for Secretary: Carol Ann S (Susan/Bruce) Nominations for Treasurer: Kathy R (Gail/Scott) Nominations remain open until the vote at the December Task Force meeting Also explained the increase in the size of the ICBYR Board of Directors as of January 2022 per the Bylaws. Two committee Chairs will join the Board. The CVSO will be an ex-officio member.	Nominations accepted
Open Agenda	<u>Veterans’ H.O.P.E. On The River</u> Susan gave summary of meetings	Information accepted

Adjournment		Motion: A motion was made by (Susan M) and seconded by (Scott F) to adjourn meeting. Motion approved & meeting adjourned at 2020
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Submitted by: Carol Ann Smith, ICBYR Secretary

Next Meeting: December 16, 2021 – 7:00 pm - AFRCC

November Task Force Meeting PowerPoint	
BTYR Coffee Talk	<u>BTYR Coffee Talk:</u> CLICK HERE to join or via: Zoom Meeting ID: 863 3769 5200 Passcode / Password: 947 159
Military History	
Viewable Link for ICBYR Goggle Sign Map:	https://www.google.com/maps/d/viewer?mid=19P7VjNkq81qUQQF281XcPCLhvf91gk1O&ll=45.58600856114631%2C-93.29518274999998&z=11
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
Veterans Crisis Line	1-800-273-8255 Press 1