

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

**Meeting Minutes December 16, 2021**

**Member Attendance:**

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

Agenda Item	Discussion	Motions/Action Taken
<b>Call to Order</b>		Meeting was called to Order at 19 by Jim R
<b>Pledge of Allegiance</b>		Meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance
<b>Special Guest</b>	Ole came to visit ICBYR, bringing Christmas wishes and Happy Birthday wishes for Brad	Welcome Ole!
<b>Introductions</b>	Introductions made and new attendees welcomed	Welcome!
<b>Secretary Report</b>	Minutes of the November meeting were distributed by mail and email	<b>Motion:</b> A motion was made by (Jim J) seconded by (Kathy R) to approve the minutes. <b>Minutes approved.</b>
<b>Treasurer Report</b>	Income and expenses were reviewed for November: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Income includes:, donation from Affinity Plus, donation from American Legion Riders of Zimmerman, Thrivent Grant, and private donors</li> <li>Expenditures included: phone bill, Veterans Day lunches, direct veteran support (\$3,503.13 ), Meals from the Heart donation, float materials, stamps</li> </ul>	Report accepted and set aside for Our gratitude to our donors
<b>Chair's Report Jim R</b>	<b>Veterans issues:</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Request for assistance with snow shoveling (between Isanti and Bethel) – a Task Force member will do this</li> <li>Request for assistance with snow plowing – wife of deployed soldier (in Isanti) – Sea Cadets will do</li> </ol>	Information accepted

	<p>c. Request for assistance with rent (\$1050) and electric bill (\$131.35) + late fee - approved – will send to Task Force</p> <p>d. Holiday needs – CVSO office requesting 30 gift cards, Carol Ann to ask S&amp;FRS for needs. Discussion on amount to spend. Will ask Task Force to increase last year’s budget for gift cards for veterans in need Christmas cards will be sent to veterans at Walker Methodist and GracePointe who do not have family (N=11) Troop boxes sent out by local 4-H group, Isanti Lions &amp; Pine City Blue Star Moms</p> <p>e. Meals from the Heart – December request is for 30 bags of groceries to Cambridge AFRCC. BOD approved donation to Meals from the Heart to cover the groceries. Will take to Task Force for vote.</p> <p><b>Thank you note from Kalie Manke</b></p> <p><b>December Board of Directors Meeting:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Please see meeting summary sent by email</li> </ul> <p><b>Nomination of and Voting for ICBYR Officers for 2022:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Please see New Business</li> </ul>	Information accepted
<p><b>Committee Reports:</b></p>	<p><b>Website/Social Media Committee:</b></p> <p><b>Website Report:</b> Scott F</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 1,210 website hits since November meeting. (74,072 total website visitors)</li> <li>• Tweet sent out reminding followers of the meeting</li> <li>• Working on archiving old minutes and agendas. Then will post November minutes</li> <li>• Will post photos of Snowflake Parade</li> </ul> <p><b>FaceBook Report:</b> Susan M</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Posted letters from school children that were distributed to local soldiers</li> </ul> <p><b>Resource/Brochure Committee Report:</b> Gail G</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>• Some signs damaged in recent wind storm – repairs completed</li> <li>• Task Force member stated billboard by Cambridge hospital needs to be replaced. Will be done as soon as the weather permits</li> <li>• 9 signs in stock</li> <li>• Bob F has resigned from the Billboard Committee – THANK YOU BOB for all of your work!</li> </ul>	<p>Information accepted</p> <p>Information accepted</p> <p>Information accepted</p>



<b>Investment Coordinator Quarterly Report</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Investments are doing extremely well. Balance currently higher than it has ever been</li> </ul>	Information accepted
<b>Upcoming Events</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Bingo – Jan 22 – hosted by American Legion Riders – at Englund’s on Long Lake (formerly Captain’s)</li> <li>ICBYR Dinner Dance “Mardi Gras” March 26</li> </ul>	Information accepted
<b>YROC Report:</b> Rachel J (via email)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Meals from the Heart</li> <li>BTYR “Coffee Talk” – January 5</li> </ul>	Information accepted
<b>Old Business</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Bruce gave a summary of the Snowflake Parade and the renovations done to the ICBYR float. May need additional funds for more flood lights Thanks to all who worked on the float! Committee will meet again in May to prepare for summer events.</li> </ul>	Information accepted
<b>New Business: Vote on Veterans’ Issues</b>	Request for assistance with rent (\$1050) and electric bill (\$131.35) + late fee - approved – will send to Task Force	<b>Motion:</b> A motion was made by (Brad) and seconded by (Chuck) to pay for the rent & electric bill. <b>Motion approved</b>
	Holiday needs – CVSO office requesting 30 gift cards, Carol Ann to ask S&FRS for needs. Requesting \$4000 in gift cards for this Holiday Season - \$3000 to CVSO and maximum of \$1000 to Soldier & Family Readiness Specialist	<b>Motion:</b> A motion was made by (Brad) and seconded by (Jim J) to pay for the Holiday gift cards. <b>Motion approved</b>
	Meals from the Heart – donate \$30 for each of the 30 boxes to be delivered to the Cambridge AFRCC = \$900	<b>Motion:</b> A motion was made by (Brad) and seconded by (Bruce) to donate to Meals from the Heart. <b>Motion approved</b>

<b>New Business: Nominations for 2022 ICBYR Officers</b>	Nominations opened for 2022 ICBYR Officers.  No new nominations made	
<b>Vote on 2022 ICBYR Officers</b>	<b><u>Slate of Nominations:</u></b>  Chair: Jim R  Vice Chair: Dave O  Secretary: Carol Ann S  Treasurer: Kathy R	<b>Motion:</b> A motion was made by (Jim J) and seconded by (Susan) accept the slate of 2022 ICBYR Officers and vote them into office <b>Motion approved</b>
<b>Open Agenda</b>	<b><u>Veterans' H.O.P.E. On The River</u></b>  Susan & Jim R gave an update on the conveyance of the land and the progress on the mission. Working on 501(c)3 paperwork. Possible grant through Initiative Fdn. Conveyance of land now 23 acres.	Information accepted
<b>Adjournment</b>		<b>Motion:</b> A motion was made by (Brad) and seconded by (Jim J) to adjourn meeting. <b>Motion approved &amp; meeting adjourned at 2019</b>

Submitted by: Carol Ann Smith, ICBYR Secretary

**Next Meeting: January 20, 2022 – 7:00 pm - AFRCC**

<b>BTYR Coffee Talk</b>	<b><u>BTYR Coffee Talk:</u></b> <a href="#">CLICK HERE</a> to join or via: Zoom Meeting ID: 863 3769 5200 Passcode / Password: 947 159
<b>Military History</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>December 1, 1941</b> - The American Civil Air Patrol (CAP), a U.S. Air Force auxiliary, was founded as Director of Civilian Defense, former New York Mayor Fiorello LaGuardia, signed the formal order. The CAP currently provides</li> </ul>

	<p>aerospace education, a CAP cadet program, and emergency services such as locating missing aircraft.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>December 7, 1941</b> - The U.S. Naval base at Pearl Harbor, Hawaii, was attacked by nearly 200 Japanese aircraft in a raid that lasted just over one hour and left nearly 3,000 Americans dead.</li> <li>• <b>December 13, 1636</b> – National Guard established</li> <li>• <b>December 16, 1944</b> - During World War II in Europe, the Battle of the Bulge began as the Germans launched a big counter-offensive in the Ardennes Forest along a 75-mile front, taking American troops by surprise</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