

Minutes Of Business Meeting Held On Saturday November 11, 2023

The Business Meeting of November 11, 2023 was held at the American Legion Post 14 building located at 1301 E. Greenville Street in Anderson. The meeting was preceded by a social hour with coffee and donuts.

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Commandant Julie Harper.

Opening Ceremony –

Post Colors and Pledge of Allegiance – Visitor Baretta Splawn from Detachment 1105
POW/MIA Tribute – Baretta Splawn
Opening Prayer – Chaplain Jeremiah Palmer
Field Music – Marines' Hymn sung by membership

Roll Call of Officers -

Commandant Julie Harper – Present Sr Vice Cmdt Jacquie Myers – Absent Jr Vice Cmdt Steve Graham – Present Judge Advocate Buddy Fergurson – Present Jr Past Cmdt Hadji Harper – Present Chaplain Jeremiah Palmer – Present

Minutes of Previous Meeting –

The minutes of the last business meeting, held on October 14, were read by member Steve Martin, seconded by Detachment, and accepted.

Paymaster's Report -

The Financial Report for the month of October was read by Paymaster Lloyd Cornelius. The report was accepted as read, pending final audit.

Report of any sick or distressed member or member's family –

Jim Striss – Jim and his wife are having health problems.

Warren Lutz – Alzheimer's

Roger Briggs – Heart problems

Jacquie Myers – Not feeling well

Officers' Reports -

Sr. Vice Cmdt – No report at this time

Jr. Vice Cmdt Steve Graham – No report at this time

Judge Advocate – No report at this time

Unfinished Business –

Commandant Harper reported that she has Department fundraiser raffle tickets. Cost is \$5 each or 5 for \$20. Prizes will be \$1000, \$500, and \$250. See Steve Graham to buy tickets.

Matt Muth passed out information about the purchasing of pavers for the new Veterans Memorial Park. See two attached pages.

Old Business –

Paymaster Lloyd Cornelius repaired the flooring on the Detachment's float and pulled the float in the Anderson County Veterans Day Parade last Sunday, November 5th. See attached picture of the float.

Jeremiah Palmer spoke and praised the Anderson University Veterans Breakfast program. The breakfast this year was held yesterday, November 10th

Buddy Ferguson brought a number of program books from the Annual Convention in Oklahoma City, OK.

New Business -

See Buddy Ferguson to help with Toys for Tots. Toys will be stored at the building on Salem Church Rd. The last collection of toys will take place on December 9th. Distributions will take place in Belton on the 10th and in Anderson on the 14th and 15th.

A motion was made to donate \$100 to Toys for Tots. Motion was seconded and passed by the membership.

Good of the League -

Commandant Harper showed a plaque that Chaplain Palmer received from Detachment 1123 in Rock Hill on November 4th for being the guest speaker at their Marine Corps Birthday Ball. See picture attached.

The Commandant presented a membership card to the Detachment's newest member, Tonya Simmons.

It was announced that the Detachment will enter their float in the City of Anderson Christmas Parade on December 3rd. Lloyd Cornelius will be pulling the float. To decorate the float and ride along, look for it at 2 p.m. near the Wells Fargo Bank on Clemson Blvd.

Hadji Harper announced that he has been named the District 1 Vice Commandant.

Baretta Splawn announced that a program called Upstate Salute will take place at Fluor Field on Sunday, November 12. Gates open at 3 p.m. Activities will include a flyover, a salute, and taps. Entrance is FREE.

Steve Graham spoke regarding conversations that he has had with veterans. He also reported that Home Depot recently made a grant of \$6500 to American Legion Post 14 for services and supplies.

Matt Muth spoke very briefly on some of the requirements a National Guard member must meet to be eligible for VA benefits.

Closing Ceremony –

There being no further business to come before the Detachment, a motion was made and duly seconded to adjourn to meet again on Saturday, December 9, 2023, at Carson's for the Detachment's annual holiday dinner. The motion carried. The Sgt at Arms retired the colors and Chaplain Palmer gave the departing prayer. The meeting adjourned at 9:55 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Steve Martin for Jonathan DenHartog, Adjutant

INDIVIDUAL PAVERS FOR VETERANS

18" X 18" Granite Paver - \$200.00

A maximum of 3 symbols are allowed. Each symbol is \$40.00 extra for a maximum cost of \$320.00

Black Pavers are intended to honor Veterans whose home of record was Anderson County, South Carolina when they entered military service, and who honorably served in the United States Military.

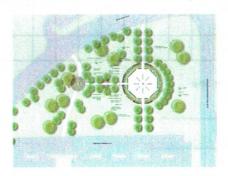
Grey Pavers are intended to honor Veterans who honorably served in the United States Military, regardless of their home of record upon entry into Military Service.



Black Paver □ (check here, if applicable)



Grey Paver □ (check here, if applicable)



Proposed design for the Freddie Stowers Veterans Memorial Park

United States Military: U.S. Army, U.S. Navy, U.S. Marine Corps, U.S. Air Force, U.S. Coast Guard, and U.S. Space Force.

Military Veterans include all members who earned a DD-214 (or equivalent for service before DD-214s were used) for honorable service. This would also include National Guard and Military Reserve members who retired from the Guard or Reserve with at least 20 years of service or earned a DD-214 from mobilization(s).

Symbols allowed include Religious Symbols from VA Form 40-1330, Military Badges of the United States Military, and select Military Silhouettes (ships, planes, tanks, etc.).

If available, please present proof of military service with the <u>Social Security Number blacked out</u>. Make Checks Payable to: Foothills Community Foundation <u>Indicate on the Memo Line: Freddie Stowers Memorial Veterans Park</u>

Mailing Address for mailing this form once completed:

Freddie Stowers Memorial Veterans Park
PO Box 2561
Anderson, SC 29622
Email Address:
Andersonveteransmemorial@gmail.com

Black Paver □ Anderson Native Grey Paver □ All Other Veterans

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ANDERSON COUNTY VETERANS DAY PARADE

