

USSVI – Charleston Base Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

January 7, 2016

Meeting called to order at 1800 by Base Commander Rick Wise. Attending were Board of Directors members Rick Wise, Rick Sparger, Ed Stank, George Scharf, Ron Chambers, Bill Freligh, Ken Curtis, Butch Bryar, Mike Welch, Nick Nichols, Jeff Reuer.

Base Commander Rick Wise welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Rick started the board meeting with a discussion of the moving of the Nuclear Historian and the After Battery to the good of the order. In New Business we are going to discuss the Hunley Housatonic Memorial on February 17th.

Ed Stank reported we currently have 336 Members. We have some members Delinquent on Dues.

Bill Freligh discussed the rockers for Holland Club and also asked Ed to provide status of new Holland Club inductees.

George Scharf stressed getting applicants for the Scholarship fund.

Ken Curtis informed us the Spring WWII Honor Flight might be the last one. Ken informed us of a Saint Patty's day Trip 5 days 4 nights and its \$450.00 a person.

Ron Chambers discussed ordering the Holland club Pens.

Butch Bryar stated the CRAMA Nuclear power school tours are starting up again. Joe Danning has prefiled the Proviso.

Butch is working with Rick Fulmer on wording on repairs for the sub.

Nick Nichols reported:

Webmaster:

- Now have 4 advertisers on the web and in the newsletter.

Chaplain:

- **Richard Cleeve** now has dementia and doesn't know who people are. Reported by his son.
- **Clell Hutchinson** is home on hospice and not doing well. Catherine told me that Clell would like to have visitors and short phone calls.
- **Jim Yates** was in the hospital with a stomach infection and is on dialysis. He is now at home.
- **Karen Ilgenfritz** has been receiving treatment for stomach cancer and it has now spread to some of her bones.
- **Roger Rader** had 3x bypass just before Christmas after having a heart attack. He is home recovering.
- **Jerry Farr** was in hospital for a couple of days with heart issues but is home now.
- **Stella Barwick** has initial stages of Alheimers.
- **Bill Hall** is home continuing his recovery from brain surgery to remove a tumor.
- **Ray Bryant** has several health issues.
- **Angela Higgins**, daughter of Jim and Mildred, passed away December 20th with funeral services on December 27th. Charleston Base was well represented at the visitation at the funeral home.

- **Johnny Sparger**, son of Rick and Kit, passed away December 19th with funeral services on December 27th. Charleston Base was well represented by our members at the visitation and funeral.
- **Steve Everett** says the chemo makes him tired and his bones ache. Doctors are still working on his breast cancer but tests show a spot on his lung. He said until breast cancer therapy is over with, nothing else will be investigated.
- **Clemon Cager 'CC'** is still recovering from his motorcycle accident in June.
- **Dot Campbell** was in hospital before Christmas with internal bleeding. Soupy tells me that they are now looking at possible heart surgery.
- **Mike Emerson** will be having surgery on both shoulders in 2016.
- **Sharon Sessler** has the shingles for the second time. She has had the shot.
- **Kit Sparger** is doing very well with her recovery from cancer surgery. Doctor says there is no sign of cancer at this point.

Base Treasurer Mike Welch reported on the status of Charleston Base funds.

Rick Sparger discussed the Rec Committee Questionnaire. Rick also mentioned a possibility of an Oyster Roast if we had one Rick suggested March 19th. Ken Hutchison has volunteered that if we didn't find a reliable COB he would reassume his position as COB.

Rick asked of the status of the Inventory of the stored equipment. Rick stated that there is an Oyster roast at the Redbank club on January 22nd the cost is \$20.00 apiece.

Rick discussed supplying beer and wine for the Picnic.

Rick discussed the printing of the Bylaws.

Jeff Reuer has recommended that we recognize Will Rodgers for his service and dedication to the community at the next meeting and giving will a Plaque from the will Rodgers Submarine. Will Rogers is the Deputy that was shot in the head in the line of duty.

Rick Wise reiterated that the After Battery and Nuclear Historian will be moved to the good of the order.

Paul Vering will talk about the Hunley Housatonic ceremony on February 17th.

Rick asked for a motion to adjourn the Meeting. Mike Welch made the motion and Ken Curtis seconded.

The meeting was adjourned at 1846.