**Timber Greens Veterans Group**

**October 23, 2020 General Meeting Minutes**

Meeting was called to order at 10:05 AM in the TG Main Dining Room.

TGVG Officers: Ronnie Guy, President; Paul Stepkoski, Vice President; Bob Kahmer, Treasurer; Gary Weyer, Secretary.

TGVG Members: Bill Allen, Bob Bertram, Barbara Bryant, Paul Cano, Norman Clark, Tom Clements, Danny Day, Ed Desrochers, Linda Donegan, Dennis Donegan, Boyd Duncan, Tony Fontana, Rich Henk, Gary Hunt, Howard Kahn, Tom Knight, John Louis, Martin Manna, Mary Loeffler, Al McClutchy, Bill Murphy, Jim Murphy, Tom Musson, Ray Pranske, Mike Rivera, Frank Scerbo, Adrian Simmons, John Simmons, Bob Todd, Ernie Wartenberg, Griff Wimberley, Billy Witherington, Dane Woytek. A quorum was present.

**The Pledge of Allegiance** was recited.

**Secretary's Report** :

Motion to waive reading of last meeting's minutes made by Bob Bertram, seconded by Frank Scerbo. Passed 36-0

**Treasurer's Report:**

October 23, 2020Balance = $10,745.03

Dues/New Members = 2 @ $25 = $50

Cost of the Veterans Picnic was $700 = TG F&B

Income from Trivia Night was $1812. Cost of the Trivia Dinner was $780. Profit from Trivia Night was $974.59.

Frank Scerbo donated $350 to cover the cost of our obtaining state tax exemption**.** The Group acknowledged Frank's donation.

Motion to approve by Tom Knight, seconded by Linda Donegan. Passed 36-0

**Committee Reports:**

* **Trivia Night Summary** ~ Linda Donegan: 50 folks attended. Plans underway for next Trivia Night after the 1st of the year.
* **Bill Becraft Sunset Event** - Linda Donegan: Bill and family appreciated TGVG efforts and the pinning ceremony
* **Veterans Weekend Golf Event** (Sat, November 7) - Update by Tom Clements & Tom Knight: 4 major sponsors; 12-13 hole sponsors; 63 players signed up. There will be a silent auction.
* **Disbursement Committee** - Adrian Simmons: committee has had its first meeting.
* **Nomination Committee** - Ronnie: Committee is in process of assembling a slate of candidates

**Old Business**:

**Wreaths Across America** - Update by Dane Woytek. Information available in the TG Foyer. The event will take place Saturday, December 19th at Florida National Cemetery, Bushnell.

**K9 Partners for Patriots** - K9P4P is having a Virtual 5K fundraiser November 14 & 15. Details and link are posted on TGVG website. Gary Hunt to coordinate.

**New Business**:

The Board of Directors of TGVG is recommending that the following three (3) amendments to TGVG BYLAWS be approved:

1) It is proposed that the following change be made to:

**ARTICLE V – OFFICERS, SECTION III – TERMS**

Officers serve for a term of one (1) year at which time the membership shall elect a new officer for that position. Any officer may be elected to any other office or position on the Board, provided he/she is properly nominated and elected according to the BYLAWS. The office of President shall not be occupied by any person for more than two consecutive terms.

Gary Weyer, Secretary, read Proposal #1 as well as the current bylaw. (All three proposed amendments were emailed to all current members earlier in the week with the meeting reminder.)

Motion to adopt the change to the BYLAWS made by Tom Clements, seconded by Adrian Simmons. Voted 36 Yea, 0 Nay, Motion Passed.

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2) It is proposed that the following change be made to:

**ARTICLE V – OFFICERS, SECTION I - BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

The Board of Directors shall be the governing body of the Timber Greens Veterans Group organization. Board members serve at the discretion of the membership. The Board shall consist of the following officers:

1. President
2. Vice President
3. Secretary
4. Treasurer
5. Immediate Past President

Gary Weyer, Secretary, read Proposal #2 as well as the current bylaw. (All three proposed amendments were emailed to all current members earlier in the week with the meeting reminder.)

Motion to adopt the change to the BYLAWS made by Tom Clements, seconded by Adrian Simmons. Voted 36 Yea, 0 Nay, Motion Passed.

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3) It is proposed that the following changes be made:

In all instances where the term "Board of Officers" appears in the TGVG BYLAWS, to revise that to read "Board of Directors".

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**Information Presentation**:

Ron Schacht, Co-Chair for TG POD made a presentation explaining TG as a closed POD, took questions, and solicited volunteers for the upcoming TG event.

**MIA Report:**

A report of those returned since our last meeting was posted. Gary Hunt gave a summary: 9 WWII Veterans, 2 Korean War Veterans, and 1 Vietnam War Veteran.

Recognition of TG resident and TGVG member Bill Grau who passed away this past weekend. Bill was a Navy Veteran who served during WWII and the Korean War. Memorial services were this morning. Bill's family has requested that in lieu of flowers, donations be made to TGVG. The Group acknowledged their generosity.

A Moment of Silence was observed.

November Meeting is Friday, November 20, 2020 @10:00 am.

Motion to adjourn made Bob Bertram, second by Bob Kahmer. Passed 36-0.

Meeting adjourned at 11:10 AM

Respectfully submitted,

Gary Weyer, Secretary