

107th Engineer Association
Business Meeting Minutes
3 August 2024
Kingsford, MI

1. Call to order at 1050 hrs by Pres Trever Mashak, 1432nd First Sergeant
31 Members present.
Trever Mashak informs the membership about the evening festivities.
2. 2023 business meeting minutes read. Motion to approve by Jim Simmins, second by Jim Dougovito. Motion carried.
3. 2023-2024 treasurers' report read. Motion to approve by Joe Floriano, second by Len Janssen. Motion carried.
4. Lineage and Honors Committee Report
The purpose of this committee is to capture the activities and mobilizations of the battalion since September 11, 2001. We are soliciting volunteers to gather info and data about each of the different platoons and companies that deployed. If you want to help in this effort, please contact Tom Perry or Perry Nora. A work in progress.
5. Old Business:
 - a. The annual website fees total approximately \$250.00(prices keep going up). This includes the cost of the domain name(107thengineers.org), the editing program and website e-mail address. It's an ongoing project by the webmaster.
 - a. Request a motion to pay the fees. Motion by Don Bussiere second by Jim Dougovito. Motion carried.
 - b. Follow-up: The graphic design work to show all the shoulder patches of the organizations which the battalion units have served with in the Global War on Terror(GWOT) is still a goal but not making any progress.
 - c. Investing of Association funds with a financial manager. Perry Nora made a short presentation regarding investing some of our Association funds with the Edward Jones investment broker that he uses. A motion was made by Jim Simmins to invest \$10,000 with the broker. Seconded by Jay Davis. Motion carried.
6. New Business:
 - a. Where will the 2025 reunion be held? Presentation by Co B Alumni, 107th Engineers to host the reunion in Ironwood. The reunion will be headquartered at American Legion Post #5 because there is no longer an armory in Ironwood.
 - b. Nominate Co B Alumni, 107th Engineers in Ironwood as the location for the 2025 reunion. Motion by Tom Perry, second by Kerry Denoo, Motion carried.
 - c. Dates for 63rd annual reunion set for 1-2 Aug 2025.
 - a. Motion by Jim Dougovito, Second by Tim Houle. Motion carried.
 - d. Slate of officers for 2025. Motion by Jay Davis, Second by Jim Beckman. Motion carried.
 - i. President, 1SG(ret) Len Janssen, Co B
 - ii. VP, SFC(ret) Jim Simmons, Co B/1432nd
 - iii. Secretary/webmaster, LTC(ret) Thomas Perry, HQ/Co A/Det 1, Co B

- iv. Treasurer, SFC(ret) Perry Nora, HSC
 - v. Public Relations Officer, CW5(ret) Joe Floriano, Co D(-)/HHC
 - vi. Historian, SFC John Peterson, HHC, 107th
 - vii. Chaplain, MSG(ret) Bill Hager, HHC
 - viii. Permanent Director(Battalion Commander), MAJ Matthew Brolsma
 - ix. 4 Year Director, SFC(ret) Bucky Koljonen, Co A/Co B
 - x. 3 Year Director, SFC(ret) Jim Simmons, Co B
 - xi. 2 Year Director, SFC Jay Davis, 1432nd Engr Co
 - xii. 1 Year Director, SFC(ret) Eric Dahlgren, Co C
- e. Q: The question was raised about how many granite history plaques we have in storage and what armories have plaques on display. Tom Perry will investigate and report at the next reunion.
- A: There are 1 or 2 plaques in storage at the Ishpeming Armory. All the current battalion armories plus the Calumet Emporium have plaques.
- f. A motion by Jim Simmins to authorize the Association treasurer to establish a VENMO account to facilitate the paying of dues online. Second by Jay Davis. Motion carried. Once the account is setup, it will be posted to the website.
7. The Association membership extends a big thank you to the 1432nd Engineer Co. for hosting an outstanding reunion.
8. Association Pledge recited.
9. Adjournment at 1116 hrs. Motion by Tom Perry, Second by Perry Nora. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Tom Perry
Secretary