**Springdale Veteran Memorial**

**Springdale, AR 72764**

**AGENDA for November 7, 2019**

Call to Order Jannie Layne

Pledge of Allegiance Al Wille

Prayer Dr. Joe Zurborg

Welcome to New Member & Guest Jannie Layne

Guest

Approval of June Minutes Jannie Layne

Financial Report Jeffery Vinger/Matt Mendenhall

**OLD BUSINESS**

Site Update Matt Mendenhall/Jeff Vinger

Design Contest Jeffery Vinger

Strategic Planning Matt Mendenhall

Committee Reports Board Members

**NEW BUSINESS**

Open Discussion

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Members of the board are urged to present any items of concern to the assembly Board for consideration. Please send your concerns to Jannie Layne at 479-530-7728 or email at [jannielayne1206@gmail.com](mailto:jannielayne1206@gmail.com) prior to the meeting

Mission Statement: The Springdale Veterans Memorial Organization is a non-profit organization designed to raise funds, establish, build and maintain a memorial to our veterans, a place to honor the values of liberty, freedom, and respect of veterans from all branches of service. A place where those who have answered our country’s call can be cherished and remembered forever in our hearts.

Springdale Veterans Memorial Organization

Meeting Minutes October 4, 2019

Given by Sue Magdefrau, Secretary

Meeting began at 6:05 pm at Springdale Fire Department on Holcomb Street by Jannie Layne.

Pledge of Allegiance: Al Wille

Prayer: Ken Spencer

Attendees: Sue Magdefrau, Jannie Layne, Jeff Vinger, Ken Spencer, Al Wille, Jim Reed, Matt Mendenhall, Judy Kaczoraski, Tony Kaczoraski, and Kelly Powell.

Guest: Stephanie Blevins and Harrison Johnson.

Approval of Sept Minutes: Ken Spencer and 2nd by Al Wille.

Minutes approved

Finance Report: Jeff Vinger - $20 back from bank in fees, $175 deposit, $25 grant- PayPal Giving Fund, $503-Design Competition Silent Auction, $295 and minus $31.50 = $5287.01. Approved by Ken, and 2nd by Al.

Guest:

Stephanie Blevins – the governor saying he is for anything involving the vets. Tony got her involved in the program. Harrison Johnson did 10 years in Army. He told us about 5 of his friends who took their lives after the service. What can be done to help our veterans? Need network, FITOPS foundation- striving to repurpose vets to be productive. 300 existing graduates, 1500 wanting to come into the program. John Cena donated 1 million dollars to help this cause. Nov. 2nd, 2019 they will be at Bentonville Square for Fitness on the Square.

OLD BUSINESS:

Site Update:

Design Contest and Strategic Planning:

Jeff – in AR AIA put information in on the design contest, AR daily website, and Faye Jones School. Will research other sites and Ken will help. Jannie- neighbors excited it is coming to J B Hunt Park. Matt- What kind of talk about doing the design? Jannie – several people at kick-off where very interested.

Jannie- Critiquing the kickoff. Ken – positive and met many I didn’t know. How much did the silent auction raise- $503.00. Presentation was great. Jannie- could only hear the children who were practicing. Al – got complements on all Veterans groups coming together. Multiple organizations wanting the same thing. Sue – enjoyed and learned about the speaker’s military background. Tony – sound was good and heard everything. Amazing support by key individuals. Christina Zweig will work on helping us get money – Architect and Engineering Group. Judy – pleased at number of attendants and everyone very polite. Matt – everything great and food a little salty. I had an opportunity to met with Joe Wilshire. He said the WWI memorial was on one acre, so we should have plenty of room for ours. Talked about stars at ACO that looked great. He was very supportive, and his mind was turning. Get ahead on Mayors schedule for next time we have an event. Jeff – Video from Lt. Governor was great. Jannie – disappointed with corporate business leaders not showing up. Tyson doing the wait and see approach. Some were out of town.

Website:

Facebook page – Springdale Veterans – SVMO – set up by Kelly. Kelly and Tony will merge these pages together. Jannie will send email when done. Do not do anything on pages until then.

Committee Reports:

Dorothy gave Tony the information on her reports. Christmas dinner at the Elks Club?? Tony suggested picking a venue to match who we want to have there. Jannie - look for bigger event in the Spring when we have the unveiling. Talk about process of selection, etc. Give the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place and their stories. Banquet, auction, and bring in the big people. Springdale Country Club, Elks Club, Holiday Inn; classy high dollar event. Sue – sell tables? Jannie – looking at 1st week in May. Ken – The Barn? Jim- Jones Center? Matt – what is our target customer? Need to get business community involved. Jeff – get a group together to get this started. Tony – award ceremony for designers. Jannie – table this currently. Ken – check with The Barn and Jones Center. Matt – check with Holiday inn. Dorothy – check with Elks Club.

NEW BUSINESS:

Jannie – Thank you letter for those who contribute. Something on web site to show who contributes. Kelly – for all or only $500.00 donation? Jannie – for everyone on list for now. Thank you. Tony – more you touch the more they give. Matt – look at our strategic plan to make sure it doesn’t need tweaking. Jannie – things are going to happen fast when we start the design. Hoping to find the support.

Tony – any discussion about date base? Jannie – not currently. Can Tony bring the information for us? Each department do a summary and give in advance.

Tony – presentation on data base.

Matt – jury and places for gathering.

Next meeting will be November 7, 2019 at 6 pm at the Springdale Fire Department on Holcomb Street.

Adjourned at 7:18 pm by Jannie Layne.