

Southfield Veterans Commission
Minutes : September 08, 2008

Present :

Commissioners : Daniel Brightwell, Andrew Davis, Felix Seldon, Gregory Pulliam

Professional Staff : Bryan Jarrell

Absent / Excused : Bill Burnett
Ethel Grossman
Timothy Wirkus

Volunteer / Visitor (s) :

John Ellsworth – Representing Families United

Call to Order : Dan Brightwell at 6:40 pm, Parks & Recreation Bldg, Room 111, with Pledge of Allegiance

Meeting Minutes : Copies of the minutes of the August 11, meeting were provided by Gregory Pulliam, and read by Dan Brightwell. They were corrected and approved by the commissioners present. The minutes for the July 14, meeting were provided and read by Gregory Pulliam. After review and corrections, they were approved and seconded by Felix Seldon and Andy Davis, respectively.

Recognition of Guest (s) :

Mr. John Ellsworth, representative and founder of Families United was introduced to the commissioners. He explained that the purpose of this organization is to address the needs of military families who have lost loved ones during the IRAQ situation. Since the inception of Families United, Mr. Ellsworth expressed the needs for this organization's services are expanding to include all military conflicts.

Reports of Officers and Staff :

Chairmen's Report : Chair Dan Brightwell reported the History Project is on-going and that the volunteer list is seeking more participants. He also reported that the Southfield Vietnam Plaque Project has been fully funded.

Southfield Police : None

Treasurer's Report : Gregory Pulliam indicated no change in available funds.
Current Balance : \$1105.00 . Treasurer was informed that all donations will be designated for Vietnam Plaque. Once funded, excess donations will be utilized for veterans' in need.
Dan and Greg are planning to touch base, to assure monies are being allocated to the proper fund.

Old Business: Discussed the upcoming Veterans Info Seminar, scheduled for September 19, 2008. Everything needed has been accounted for. Felix Seldon expressed that he will try to obtain BIO'S from each of the presenters. Commissioners are requested to arrive by noon, for set-up.
Vietnam Plaque Memorial – will be finished on schedule. The presentation will occur on November 10, in the morning.
The History Project Recognition Reception has been scheduled by the Southfield Library for the afternoon of November 10. Attendees will be notified by mail.

New Business: Andrew Davis has submitted his resignation. Mr. Davis contributed \$100.00 as part of the matching funds for veterans trust fund.

Motion to Adjourn : Made by Gregory Pulliam, seconded by Felix Seldon
Meeting adjourned : 8:20 pm

Next Meeting : October 13, 2008 6:30pm

Gregory Pulliam,
Treasurer

Meeting minutes approved at a regular meeting, as amended with highlight area, on October 13, 2008.