Beyond the Yellow Ribbon Meeting - Moorhead

September 10, 2015

The meeting was called to order by President Bakke at 8:30 a.m.

Members attending: Aaron Jensen, Mark Sjostrom, Curtis Cannon, Jennifer Williams, Dan Hunt, Tim Haugen and Gail Brekke

Secretary's Report:

Report was sent out on the web-site. No changes needed, report was accepted as written.

Treasurers Report:

President Bakke mentioned as a reminder that the food and gas cards that are given out do not have to be brought on the floor as they have already been implemented into the budget. Motion was made and second to accept the treasurers report.

VSO Report:

Jennifer Williams introduced our new VSO for Clay County, Curt Cannon. Curt said that he has been going around to many different meetings to meet people. He is very excited about his new position. Curt also mentioned that the VSO is the point of contact for Beyond the Yellow Ribbon. Curt and Jennifer both spoke regarding the 2nd Annual Clay County Veterans Conference that will be held on Friday October 2, 2015 at the MN National Guard Armory in Moorhead from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. There will be speakers, presentations, and resources all day for our Clay County Veterans. The food and beverage that will be served is the courtesy of the Beyond the Yellow Ribbon - Moorhead.

If more information is needed feel free to contact the Clay County Veterans Service Office. Phone # 218-299-5041.

Guard Report:

n/a

Fundraiser Report:

Dan Hunt reported that we will be doing baskets for the silent auction. Donations of \$500.00 each came in from VFW Post 1223 Dilworth and from Korsmo Funeral Home in Moorhead. On Friday night October 9th at the VFW Post 1223 in Dilworth all Bingo and Electronic Horse Racing proceeds will go to the fundraiser. On Saturday night at the American Legion Post 21 in Moorhead that all of the Bingo proceeds from the evening session and the late Bingo session will go to the fundraiser. On Sunday October 11th at the VFW Post 1223 in Dilworth there will be a Pork Loin Dinner served from noon until 3:00 p.m. The dinner is a free will offering, also the silent auction will be held there. Proceeds from the dinner and silent auction will all be going to the fund raiser. We are looking forward to a very good turnout. The fundraiser is for the recreational department at the Fargo VA and the Fergus Falls Veterans Home.

Tim Haugen made the flyers up for the event.

Old Business:

The National Guard Christmas Party will be held on December 12th.

The Minnesota Wounded Warriors Hockey Team will be back in Moorhead. This year they will play in Moorhead on Friday night and Fergus Falls on Saturday night. Watch for the dates.

New Business:

Gail mentioned that she would like to do pumpkins and ghosts with yellow ribbons on them at Halloween to get some extra funds in for Beyond the Yellow Ribbon - Moorhead. Motion was brought on the floor and seconded. They will be put up at VFW Post 1223 Dilworth.

For the Good of the Order:

The Patriotic Bodies will be at the bridge on Friday for the 9-11 services and also on Friday September 18th for POW/MIA Recognition Day. Also on Friday September 18th at the West Fargo Auditorium there will be "Letters from Home"

The meeting was adjourned by President Bakke at 9:05 a.m.

We missed all of you that were unable to attend this meeting and hope to see you on Thursday October 8th.

Respectfully Submitted

Gail Brekke