# VILLAGE OF HOFFMAN VETERANS MEMORIAL COMMISSION January 28, 2024 Minutes

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1pm – Hoffman Estates Police Department

Members in Attendance: Les Montag – Chairperson

Bob Mattson - Co-Chair

Jeff Camiliere Gerald Gold Bill Hafner

Mark Kwiatkowski Cheryl Novas Gary Pilafas Tom Zasidil

**Members Absent Excused:** Rob Fleming

**Staff Liaison:** Chief Kasia Cawley

Sgt. Michael Kaye

Chairman Montag called the meeting to order at 1:09PM and took attendance.

## **Approval of Minutes:**

Commissioner Kwiatkowski approved the minutes of the October 29, 2023 meeting: seconded by Commissioner Mattson.

# Chairman's Report:

Chairman Montag reported that the flag pole has been fixed, the speaker system is in working order as are the heating pavers.

## **Liaison Report:**

Sgt. Kaye informed the Commission that a new sign board has been put into place and is working. The 2024 budget has been approved. Chairman Montag has provided Sgt. Kaye with a list of items that need to be purchased. The flashlight hand outs are being well received and asked that 100 more be ordered. Sgt. Kaye noted that a thank you letters had been sent to the Pentella family for their \$20 donation, and the Plaxton family for their \$50 donation and flag purchase.

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#### **Old Business**

Chairman Montag reported that a good turnout for the Veterans Day ceremony. He would look into asking Bernie Bluestein to be a guest speaker for the 2024 Veterans Day ceremony. Mr. Bluestein was a member of the Ghost Army during World War II.

#### **New Business**

Chairman Montag stated the Memorial Day Ceremony would be discussed at the April meeting.

## **Other**

Chairman Montag introduced Ted North who was visiting the Commission today, and would be appointed to the Commission at the February 5, Board meeting. Mr. North told the members about himself, served in the Marines, worked for ComEd, has lived in Hoffman Estates for 35 years. He will participate with the Commission on the third Sunday of the month. Mr. North received a warm welcome from the Commission members.

Commissioner Kwiatkowski asked that the spinner on the main flag pole be checked it still isn't rotating in the wind.

#### **Adjournment**

Commissioner Kwiatkowski moved to adjourn the meeting: seconded by Commissioner Pilafas. Meeting was adjourned at 1:19PM.

Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Submitted by: Myrtle Montag

**HECPAA** Volunteer

Approved: