

VETERANS SERVICE COMMITTEE (VSC)
TOWN OF MADISON
June 19, 2023
Meeting Minutes

Committee Members Present: Sharon Schilling, Paulette Lowry, Gary Palmer.

Not in Attendance (excused): Cheryl Harris, Ken Sweet, Gary Bent(alternate).

Others Present: Aysia Morency, Videographer

Where and When Posted: Notice was posted in the Town Office upper and lower levels and in Madison and Silver Lake Post Offices. Postings were done on March 28, 2023

Meeting Called to Order: 4:34 PM by Schilling at Town Hall.

Roll Call/Elevation of Alternates: Members present constituted a quorum no alternate elevation.

Approval of Draft Minutes: Minutes of the June 5th, 2023 meeting were approved on a motion by Palmer, 2nd by Lowry; unanimous vote.

Public Comments: Mr. Bob Borchers was in attendance and spoke to his service in the US Navy. He is in search of more information regarding Veterans medical benefits. Stated the government made a promise of “free medical for life” and Champus does not represent that. There is no local VA Hospital and he is having issues with getting his prescriptions. The committee indicated that there is a representative from Manchester coming to the Summer Carnival, we could bring it up with that person and see what additional information we could provide.

New Business: - OLD HOME WEEK: it starts August 4th and the committee discussed having a table there and get another representative from the VA to come table with us. Lowrey to reach out to the OHW Committee and ask what we can do to table.

Old Business: Members discussed Madison summer kick off carnival now being held from 13PM. Schilling was in touch with Manchester VA and they are sending a VSO to table with us. Need to provide additional details if there are any now that it has been moved to July 1st.

Committee introduction letters were sent out the previous week. We will now need to work to identify any additional Veterans in Madison to add them to our list.

Memorial Day: Schilling talked to Michael Brooks and indicated that the Veterans Service Committee would like to support and assist with the Memorial Day activities. The Committee will engage with Brooks closer to Memorial Day for next year. This brought up the subject of

notices and visibility of events. The Committee discussed using more Social Media, use of The Madison Boulder Bulletin and advertising on Channel 3 in Madison to announce events etc.

Administration: none

Adjournment and Next Meeting: There being no further business, the committee adjourned at 5:15 PM with the next meeting being July 3rd, 2023 at 4:30PM.