

Township of Egg Harbor

Veterans Advisory Board

Cardiff VFW Post 8098
3029 Spruce Avenue, EHT

April 30, 2012

MINUTES

Chairman Robert Dodson called the Meeting to Order, 7:00 p.m.

Chairman Dodson read the Opening Statement pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Act.

Chairman Dodson led the Pledge of Allegiance and members held a moment of silence for the departed.

Roll Call: Robert Dodson – Present
 William Hegarty - Present
 Paul Hodson –*Absent, excused*
 Douglas Lundberg, Jr. – Absent, excused
 Pat Moschetto – Present
 Dan Clayton – Absent
 Mike Ebert – Absent
 John Rush – Present

Also in attendance were Committeeman Joe Cafero (filling in for Deputy Mayor Hodson) and Beth Epstein.

⚔ William Hegarty

William Hegarty was sworn in as the newest board member.

APPROVALS

⚔ Minutes of March 26, 2012

Minutes of March 26, 2012 were approved by Members Dodson and Rush.

OLD BUSINESS

⚔ Memorial Day Parade

The parade was discussed at length by board members. All appears to be a big success for the Township and participants. Committeeman Cafero will speak with the Chief of Police regarding the need of more officers to help out with traffic after the parade.

NEW BUSINESS

§ Memorial Day Parade

As of today's date, the parade will have over 180 participants in the parade with some 30 dogs and handlers. The board approved the collection of canned goods to be distributed to needy veterans in the area. The EHT PAL Cheerleaders and Football players will collect the food and also pass out bottled water and small American Flags to the crowd. Also, food can be dropped off at the memorial site.

The speakers for the memorial will be the Mayor, any committeemember, and the following:

- Thomas Vesper, USMCR, Rank of Chief Warrant Officer 4th Grade, served during the Iraq and Afghansitan conflicts; and
- State Assemblyman Chris Brown, US Army, Rank of Major, served during the Iraq and Afghanistan conflicts. He was awarded the Prestigious Bronze Star; and
- State Assemblyman John Amodeo; and
- State Senator James Whelan.

The parade will start at Diamond Drive and Zion Road at 9:00 a.m. sharp.

The US Army, Navy and Marine Corps will participate and march in the parade.

MEETINGS

Next meeting scheduled for Monday, May 21, 2012 at 7:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion Moschetto second Rush to adjourn the meeting. Vote: all present voted, yes.

John Rush, Member
Secretary