

BELLAVITA VETERANS ORGANIZATION

Minutes of February 15 Meeting

Commander Mulcahy opened the meeting at 7PM. The Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag was said. Henry Riest offered the Invocation.

Olga Vasquez was officially installed as Vice-Commander for this year.

Ruben Castillo was welcomed as a new member. Ruben served two hitches with the U.S. Navy.

Cmdr. Mulcahy read three thank you letters for our donations to the USO, Military Wives and Moms of Brazoria County, and Steve Wynn for his Christmas gift.

We are still waiting for a volunteer to be our Secretary. Walter volunteered to take notes tonight.

Flyers for the Cajun Nights Party sponsored by the Men's club were passed out.

Gene Reddell and Charles Parham were chosen to represent the Veterans Organization on the New Year Eve Party.

Reading of January Minutes were read and approved by voice vote. The Minutes were posted in the Clubhouse Lobby.

Thom Paterno presented the Treasurer's Report.

Checking balance as of Feb 15 was \$2,789.20 and cash \$30. Income - \$12,965, Expenses - \$827.66, Transfers to Savings- \$10,150.00 Current Checking Balance -\$4,816.54. Savings Balance – Starting Balance - \$11,606.70, Auto Transfer and Interest - \$150.30, Checking Transfer \$10,000; Savings Balance - \$21,757. Details of the report are included with these minutes.

A budget for this year will be presented at the April Meeting.

Flag Project – Steve Andrews. Steve announced the three new Team Captains. We are still needing a Pickup truck and driver. For Safety Purposes for the flag teams, Steve suggested appropriating Orange Vests for each team member. A **Motion** was made by Lloyd Lambert, seconded by Henry Reist, and passed by voice vote to authorize purchase of 50 vests for up to \$400. Benny Frank offered to find the best value for quality vests with reflection.

Dave Southard updated the flag renewal status. We still have 97 not renewed.

Current Business – Benny Frank gave an update on the Lights in the Tower at the Entrance. Benny got a "semi-approval" from the HOA.

Open Time – Henry passed around application forms for veterans wanting Military License Plates.

Meals. Thanks to Walter and Leo for the Meal tonight. They have volunteered for next month's meeting.

Flag Duty – Thanks to Randy and Cecil for tending the flags. Who will volunteer for next month?

Mario Won the Jackpot -\$48.

Meeting Adjourned