

Emergency HAVM meeting – July 14, 2026 Meeting was called to address some concerns from members of the committee

PRESENT: Jim and Rhonda Mataczynski, Walt Johnson, David Staudacher, Tim Marshall, Ginna Young, LaVern Capek, Ron Arts, Ron Jiskra, Mark Webert

We have a quorum

Fellow veteran news – We were saddened to hear of the passing of 2 of our community veterans – Steve Nitek, and Harold(Tubby) Flater. Also we were informed that our fellow committee member Brian Comeau was taken by ambulance to hospital in Marshfield for his ongoing battle with cancer.

Approval of Agenda

Discussion Action Items

1. Chairman's position

- a. Chairman Mataczynski informed the committee that due to ongoing health conditions he feels he can no longer assume the duties required as chairman. He will continue to aid in the projects that he is involved in to make sure that they are finished. It was decided to hold an election for the position at the next monthly meeting in August.
 - i. Bell tower – an architect will need to let us know what kind of space we will need and then the DNR will be contacted to make sure that the tower is done correctly
 1. A motion was made by T Marshall that we place the bell tower behind the American flag on the south side of the driveway and north of the retention pond at least 10 feet depending on architectural and DNR approval
 - a. This was also the area that our donor said they would like to see it placed.
 2. Motion 2nd – D Staudacher - MC
 - ii. Chippewa County Foundation – He and Georgia Arts will be meeting with Jill and introducing Georgia to the program
 - iii. Plaques for flag poles

2. Plan on the parking lot and site changes

- a. According to an email from our engineer after he viewed the proposed idea, he informed us that there can be no change to the north and south retention ponds and that the DNR was lenient with us as to the original plans.
- b. We are licensed for the original plans
- c. Our engineer informed us that he will take a look at the proposal and see if there is a way to put the parking lot in, but that the DNR would have to approve any changes.
- d. The proposed parking area would be 100'x80'x64'
- e. Motion was made by L Capek we remove the first building and increase the size of the POW/MIA building and eliminate the space of the bell tower on the original plans.
 - i. 2nd – D Staudacher – 7 ayes/2 naves
 - ii. Building size would then be 40'x40'
- f. Comment by Chairman that we are at a crossroads and need to plan for the future. The future could include statues, benches and monuments.

Motion to adjourn – T Marshall/2nd G Young – MC Meeting adjourned at 8:15 PM

