

HAVM Minutes – August 5, 2026

PRESENT: Jim and Rhonda Mataczynski, Ron Arts, Walt Johnson, Rick Mitchell, John and Carol Bell, Mark Webert, LaVern Capek, Dave and Susan Staudacher, Tim Marshall, Jeff Anders, Ron Jiskra

There was a bit of confusion as to where we were to meet as several of the group thought we were to be at the site. Meeting was finally started at 7:14PM

We had a quorum Prayers were offered for members Sue Staudacher, Bill Haase, Brian Comeau

Approval of agenda

Secretary report – Motion to approve D Staudacher/2nd L, Capek – MC

Treasurer report – Motion to approve T Marshall/2nd D Staudacher – MC

Discussion Items

1. Meeting procedure – Ginna mentioned that our meetings don't follow a guided procedure, it was suggested that only one person talk at a time so that all members have a chance to digest the topic at hand. It was also suggested that the agenda be kept to and not jump from one item to another – again for people and secretary being able to follow the topic being discussed.
2. Chairman's report – as outgoing chairman Jim had a list of items that he has in progress and that will need to be addressed by the new chair and the committee.
 - a. Community Foundation – Georgia Arts and Brenda Cigan will be the new signers for this. Brenda Cigan being the new town treasurer. Jim will help with the transition
 - b. Plaque stands for flag acknowledgement – Jesse Jones Construction has these done and they need to be picked up and placed before winter. A bill will be forthcoming
 - c. Bell Tower – the Boisvert family is donating this project and should be included in any decision the committee may make. It was suggested that they be invited to a meeting as they have a specific plan in mind. Their phone contact was given in the committee's packets.
 - d. Legacy stones – the next batch is finished and can be delivered. It was suggested that we pay the \$100.00 delivery fee.
 - e. NTERA – finishing with the WiFi. They will be coming tomorrow
 - f. Electric installation – H&R will be putting in lines to garden and placement for well.
 - g. Security System – TBD Jim Flater is working on this
 - h. DNR – Jim has connected with the DNR regarding our license and the change of plans for suggested parking area. Ethan McGown who is the DNR engineer has looked at the plans that were presented to Everyday Engineering and didn't see any real problem except the north retention pond may have to be enlarged. Waiting now for the next steps.
3. Election
 - a. Motion was made by T Marshall to accept Jim's resignation – 2nd by R Arts / MC
 - b. Nominations were opened for new chairman. After many declines Motion was made by R Arts to cast unanimous vote for David Staudacher / MC
 - c. Nominations were made for new Vice Chairman Motion by R Jiskra/2nd R Mataczynski for Ginna Young – Ginna accepted /MC

Meeting continued with new chairman Staudacher

4. Site update

- a. Lots of work has been done on the proposed parking area.
- b. North retention pond – if it has to be bigger we will adjust.
- c. Discussion on south retention pond and what to put around it as DNR requests
- d. Bell Tower discussion – We were reminded that we had discussed this previously and that the Boisvert family should be included in any decisions.
- e. Discussion about parking stops next to circle and stones. Jim suggested they do a cost analysis of products.
- f. Can collection was \$756.00

5. Site Upkeep

- a. Weeds need to be controlled and mowing done
 - i. Was suggested that black plastic be put down in the small rock area to combat weed growth
 - ii. Marshall suggested a rubber roofing material that can be obtained free in Eau Claire.
- b. Stone update – was previously discussed
- c. Inquiry regarding the purchase of benches. It was mentioned that this has always been an option for anyone wishing to donate. Jeff Anders told the group that the Meditation garden would be having benches to be purchased

6. Other news – Ginna brought the Little Ceaser fundraiser for us. It is going to be only online and we get a certain cash back.

7. Susan told hubby Dave that he needs to speak up and not mumble

- a. Ron Jiskra became out official fly killer

Next meeting September 2 will be at the site – weather permitting

Money pot was \$65 which was won by T Marshall who turned it over to Jeff Anders for the Meditation Garden.

Thanks Tim

LaVern thanked Jim for his years of dedication to the Memorial and wished him well.

Motion to adjourn J Mataczynski / 2nd L Capek - MC

Adjournment at 8:25