

HAVM Minutes – July 2, 2025

PRESENT: Jim and Rhonda Mataczynski, Tim Marshall, Steve Shackelton, Rick Mitchell, Ron Arts, Chuck Anderson, Walt Johnson, Ron Jiskra, Mark Webert, LaVern Capek, Bill, Rank, Dave Staudacher

We had a quorum

Call to order at 7PM

Pledge was recited

Approval of agenda

Secretary's report was read

- a. Change was that D Staudacher was there. He was at the town board meeting and arrived late. He informed us that as a committee we were in violation when we moved the meeting from the town hall to the Memorial site as it was not officially posted. The meeting was moved at the last minute so as to accommodate the town board meeting which was also being held there.
- b. Motion to approve with corrections – T. Marshall / 2nd -M. Webert – MC

Treasurer's report

- a. Report was the same as last month as numbers were not available
- b. Next meeting will show June and July finances
- c. Motion to approve – L. Capek / 2nd – R. Mitchell - MC

There were no guests

Discussion of Motion Items

1. Update on transfer of Staudacher land
 - a. Paperwork has not been finalized and discussion will be brought up at next Town Board meeting.
2. Shed purchase
 - a. Chairman Mataczynski has obtained a shed from the Pine _____ here in Holcombe. As previously voted on the cost was \$2000.00 and will be delivered. A spot will be made for it to sit on. Will need help with prepping the site.
 - b. Discussion as to what it should sit on. The placement will be in the same place as the buildings that are in another phase. Decision was to anchor the shed now so that it could be moved.
 - c. Suggestion was made that we look into having someone paint military mural/figures on the sides. R Mitchell will connect with Am Vets in Ladysmith as to does their murals.
3. New Electronic Sign
 - a. New sign will be arriving next week on July 8, 2025
 - b. Was paid for on July 1
 - c. There is a meeting on Wednesday July 9 at 3PM to discuss how to put it up. Sign Company will be present to advise.

4. Legacy stone update / Upcoming stone ceremony on July 5
 - a. Will need at least 2 tents / 20 chairs
 - b. Stones will be set on wall for recipients and then returned to the pallet.
 - c. Emails and letters have been sent and so far a good response
 - d. 3rd engraving of stones is sitting at Stone Services, these will need to be picked up before too long.
 - e. Next ceremony will be held on August 30, the Saturday of Labor Day weekend.
 - f. Taylor Anders and D Staudacher have been discussing placement and design. Taylor is using a new method of stone laying which will ensure that the stones will not have the issues that a lot of memorials have with movement.
5. Dairyland Power
 - a. Chairman Mataczynski has connected with Dairyland Electric regarding the long grass that abuts our Memorial. We have asked that this area be mowed so that the Memorial can be seen from the road. There has been very little communication up to now.
 - b. Chairman Mataczynski was told this time that we are “on the list to be mowed”
6. More Discussion
 - a. Discussion on the driveway rock – to be decided
 - i. Suggestion of crushes granite similar to what is there now vs river rock. L. Capek had a quote for 2” granite and will send to Chairman. He will also get some examples of different stones and the committee can see what they like. This will have to be done at the site so it will be posted at a later date.
 - b. Dozer work
 - i. Jim and Ron J will be working on getting a dozer to make the 2 retention ponds that must be placed.
 - c. Meditation Garden update
 - i. D Staudacher reported that our landscaper Taylor Anders, has found a fountain that has a holding tank with chlorination.
 - ii. Still have to have discussion on how to clean Memorial area without water available. Hiring someone to pressure wash was suggested. Needs to be looked into being cost effective long term.
7. Adjournment
 - a. Staudacher won the pot and asked to have it rolled over
 - b. Motion to adjourn – T. Marshall / 2nd – R. Mitchell – MC
 - c. Meeting adjourned at 7:56

Respectively submitted

Rhonda Mataczynski - Secretary