

## HAVM - NOVEMBER MINUTES – NOVEMBER 21, 2024

Present: Jim Mataczynski, Rhonda Mataczynski, David Staudacher, Ron Jiskra, John and Carol Bell

1. Pledge was recited
2. There were no guests
3. Secretary's report was accepted with changes made. Motion was made by Dave S / 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ron J /MC
4. Treasurer report – Jim was contacted by \_\_\_\_\_ in Bloomer to come and accept a check for \$500.00. They also gave matching check to the Bloomer VFW.  
Discussion as to whether we could or should have a fiscal person and not just a treasurer. Will discuss further, Motin to accept treasurer report by Carol B, /2<sup>nd</sup> – Ron J /MC
5. Election of officers – Due to lack of members election was postponed. Question was raised as to how officers were to be appointed or elected. Decision was to have the committee from our group get together and discuss. They will also go through the proposal from the board and work on a mutual agreement for the future of the memorial.
6. New Meeting Day – It was decided that to have a better communication with the board we would change our HAVM monthly meeting to the first Wednesday of each month starting in December. Motion by Rhonda /2<sup>nd</sup> – Dave S / MC
7. Fundraising – Group decided to continue with the St Paddy's fundraiser. Rhonda will spear head it.
8. Flag retirement – Was noted that the service flags at the memorial are in need of repair or replacement. Was decided that on December 1 all service flags would be taken down and either replaced or repaired. Was also decided that our aluminum can money would be used for replacement and repair. Also decided was that we will purchase a new American flag now so that if this one should become frayed we would be able to immediately fly a new one. Was also decided that we would purchase a complete set of service flags and the ones that have been repaired would be kept as backups Motion – Dave S / 2<sup>nd</sup> – Ron / MC Was also asked if the lights could be decreased if only the American flag is flying for the winter. Jim will look into connecting with H&R Electric
9. New Digital sign – Jim passed around a catalog with ideas for a new sign. Mention was made that perhaps the town would be interested in going in with us. This would be a place for announcing town activities. Many older people do not have a social media account and this would give them a chance to know of upcoming and important events.
10. Site Update – Thanks to Dave S and Ron J for all the extra work done at the site with grading and leveling before the winter season. Cracks in circle have been sealed – thanks Jim M. Jim has been in contact with Taylor Anders and they are getting samples for edging outside of our legacy stones and pavers. Also was mentioned on a different cap other than cement on top of wall. Will be another discussion in the near future

Motion to adjourn Dave S /2<sup>nd</sup> Carol / MC