

Keweenaw County Veterans Committee September 6th Meeting

Agenda Sept 6, 2024 4PM

Roll Call Koljonen Rajala- Absent Huwatschek Rheault- Training
 Aho Hannon Halley

Call to Order/Pledge: The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and a brief moment of silence was observed in memory of fallen Vets and Comrades.

Approve Agenda: Agenda for the Sept meeting was approved on a motion by Aho, 2nd by Hannon with all members in favor.

Approve July meeting minutes-Tabled to November. Due to Josh Rheault not being present minutes for the July meeting will be read and motioned on at the November meeting.

Guests Guest for today's is Mark Aho, Allouez Twp. Supervisor.

Public Comment: No comments made.

Communications: None received.

Old Business: Petermann grant app. Reilly Reed Restoration. The grant applied for through the KNHP to move or repair the Petermann monument was denied. It was discovered that our Veterans Park is not within the parameters of the KNHP.

Military piece for park: No action as of yet on this project. Committee members are still enthusiastic about getting a surplus military article to display in the park. Pends further input.

Coffee Social Pancake breakfast: It is hoped we can organize a Veterans coffee social in the Allouez Community Building during the week before Veterans Day. Any later date would be interfering with the upcoming firearm deer season. Members agreed to hold a special meeting to organize the event, date TBA.

New Business: Grave markers were discussed as it was brought to our attention that there may be a few graves of Veterans in the county that may not be marked. Upon discussion it was learned the Fed Gov will pay for a Veterans grave marker but it traditionally has to be requested by the Veterans family. Each respective cemetery Sextant will need to be notified and families would need to be contacted to see if they may want marker placement.

Building use/rent: Use of the building was discussed with Mark Aho. We are welcome to use the building for any Veterans event. Rent will continue status quo.

Allouez Cemetery Vets Plot: Discussion was held in regards to designing and creating a Veterans Memorial plot in the Ahmeek Cemetery. Allouez Twp is eager to pursue the project with the Veterans Board. However, Mark Aho asked that we secure the services of a consultant or qualified designer to help work out any details and make sure that any and all legalities be observed. Aho advised the Twp cemetery is 80 acres in size and there is ample room for a Vets plot. Details will be worked out as more information becomes available.

Next Meeting November 8 10am.

Adjourn A motion to adjourn was made by Aho, 2nd by Hannon, all in favor. Adjourned