

**Beyond the Yellow Ribbon – Moorhead
June 13, 2013 Meeting Minutes**

Attendees: Dan Hunt, Gary Olson, Mark Sjostrom, Tom Figliuzzi, Vince Dicks, JoAnn Czerwinski, Donna Brown, Eric Marts, Mike Obach and Les Bakke.

Meeting called to order by President Hunt at 0830.

Secretary's Report

Approved as posted.

Treasurer's report

No Treasurer's Report

May 31 2013 Bank Balance \$5,186.61

Veterans Service Officer report

Figliuzzi provided a report on the availability of food and gas cards. This project is reserved for emergency use only. Figliuzzi described the VSO's method of record management for help given to needy veterans. Drop -In Legal Clinic was described and how it works with the VSO. MACV will be at the VA in Fargo on 18 June from 9:00 until 3:00 at the third floor auditorium. The VSO has started digitizing their paper records. All archived files have been digitized and veterans are connected to see if they want their records. The VSO is currently working on active files. The work has been done primarily by a SEP worker. Clay County has a building committee to investigate possibilities on remodeling their building.

Vigliuzzi presented a booklet on the recent Commissioner's Day at VSO.

Olson/Obach moved to provide \$500 in food and gas cards for both the Veteran Service Office and the Family Assistance Center. Motion carried.

Veterans Court Update

Figliuzzi reported on possible training in Moorhead in August.

Local Guard Report

Sjostrom reported on guard activity including a picnic at Elks Point campground on August 11.

Old Business

Commissioner's Day at VSO - Does BTYR want to coordinate?

Discussion was held on the project. Hunt suggested that since the committee has no staff, it would be easier to fund the event than to organize it.

Obach/Dick moved to fund Commissioner's Day. Motion carried.

New Business

Obach reported on a Habitat for Humanity project for building a house for a veteran.

Olson reported on the new officers at the Moorhead American Legion.

Brown reported on veterans and other activities at MSUM

Obach reported that the Veterans Memorial picnic was great on May 30.

Meeting Adjourned at 9:15.

Respectfully submitted,

Les Bakke, Secretary