



## NMRC MINUTES

October 15, 2020

To: NMRC Members

The Nebraska Military Retiree Council met at 0900, October 14, 2020. The meeting was called to order by President Bill Nelson.

**Officers Present:** Bill Nelson, Dick Burch, Deb Tankesley, Al Riggins; Members at Large: Joe Garcia, Randy Frazier, John Bailey, Merlyn Schuster, and Dave Petersen

**Absent:** Gary Hansel

**Guest:** Maj Gen Bohac

**Secretary's Report:** The minutes of the previous July meeting were e-mailed/mailed to members.

**Membership:** As of October 10, 2020, the NMRC had 615 members with 524 on e-mail.

**Treasurer's Report:** Current balance in checking is \$10,885.96. A motion to approve the Treasurer's report was made and seconded; the motion passed.

### **2021 NMRC Dues (\$5.00/year or Life Membership 85+)**

Members will receive a separate email/mail notification if their dues expire December 31, 2020.

### **2021 Election Ballot & 2020 Founders Award (Due NLT December 15, 2020)**

Attached are the Election Ballot and Founders Nomination forms.

Both election votes and nominations may be emailed or mailed.

### **OLD BUSINESS:**

Bill reported that he presented the Founders Award to MSG Hartman during drill formation in September.

LB 153 (exempting 50% of military retirement from State Income Tax) passed.

NMRC received a thank you for the donation to the Eagle Scout Fallen Heroes Memorial at Cp Ashland.

Dick commented that the gentleman from Hansen NE received donations and assistance to rebuilt and start painting WWII helmets again with an open house coming.

Information was sent out about TRICARE Select enrollment fees for 2021. Most have received letters from TRICARE explaining the change.

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

Maj Gen Daryl Bohac was a guest. Bill presented him with the 2019 Founders Award for his interest and support of programs and activities affecting military retirees. Maj Gen Bohac gave remarks on the construction at Cp Ashland, Memorial Hall is in good shape and being utilized, the 400 series will be gone and replaced and they have added 3 cabins by the lake. The ANG renovations to buildings is almost complete. The ARNG and ANG will have separate medical facilities with an addition to the Penterman.

It was discussed to possibly next year arrange a tour of the base for retirees to visit all the new and renovated buildings and areas. Research into options will be discussed in spring.

Bill and Maj Gen Bohac discussed the University of Nebraska-Lincoln planning to install a veteran's tribute near the Pershing Military and Naval Science building located on Memorial Mall on campus. More information will be sent out.

Bill presented a request from Wyuka for Wreaths Across America. A motion was made to approve \$100 for the wreaths to be placed on December 19<sup>th</sup> at Wyuka Soldiers Circle. The motion was seconded and approved.

The 2021 Election Ballot was reviewed for publication and approved. The positions for nomination or re-election are President, Secretary and two Air Members-At-Large. The ballot will be included with the minutes for return by December 15<sup>th</sup>.

The 2020 Founders Award was reviewed for publication and approved. The nomination form will be included with the minutes for return by December 15<sup>th</sup>.

Dave and John brought up the NMRC golf tournament (cancelled in 2020) and involving NNG Associations for larger participation in future event planning. They will discuss with Randy Hansen the past coordinator.

Bill suggested getting name tags for members of the board to wear to events. Discussion was favorable and Bill will research options and cost.

No further business was discussed.

Meeting adjourned at 1000, October 14, 2020.

**OTHER COMMENTS:** If you have questions, comments or need assistance please let us know.

**NMRC Meetings: January 13, 2021 at 9:00 AM** at the East Campus Readiness Center, Room 206. All members are welcome to attend NMRC meetings held quarterly on the second Wednesday of January, April, July, and October at the East Campus Readiness Center.

**Upcoming activities:**

First Monday each month, 0700, ARNG Retirees, Virginia's Café, Lincoln

Last Monday each month, 0700, ANG Retirees, Stauffer's Café, Lincoln

Second Saturday each month, 0800, North Platte area Retirees, Lincoln Highway Diner, NP Airport

Third Wednesday each month, 1100, Patty's Pub, Lincoln

**Retirement:**

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