



## NMRC MINUTES

January 9, 2020

To: NMRC Members

The Nebraska Military Retiree Council met at 9:00 am, January 8, 2020. The meeting was called to order by President Bill Nelson.

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

**Absent:** Al Riggins

**Guest:** Linda Plock

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

**Membership:** As of December 31, 2019, the NMRC had 581 members. The Council would like to encourage all members to invite others to join. Information sharing has proven beneficial to many for events, rights, benefits and retirement.

**Treasurer's Report:** Current balance in checking is \$10,773.78. A motion to approve the Treasurer's report was made and seconded; the motion passed.

### OLD BUSINESS:

The 2020 Election ballots were counted and the results were as follows:

Vice President re-elected: Dick Burch

Treasurer re-elected: Al Riggins

Members-at Large re-elected: Randy Frazier (Army) and Gary Hansel (Air)

The 2020 Founders Award nominations were reviewed. The approved recipients will be announced after they have been notified. Presentations will be held at the Spring Social.

Save the Date: John Bailey reviewed dates for the Spring Social to be held at the NNG Museum in Seward. Plans are for the event to take place on Saturday, May 23<sup>rd</sup>. Details will be sent out in April.

Constitution changes were discussed. A motion was made to approve the change presented at the October 2019 meeting. The motion was seconded with the vote unanimous to approve Article II Section 3 to read: ...Members attaining the age of 85 will be eligible for membership in good standing without the payment of dues. Members will not be in good standing, except those attaining age 85, during any period for which dues have not been paid.

A motion was made to update the Constitution Article VI for the nomination of officers to reflect the January 2017 Article V change from monthly to quarterly meetings. The motion was seconded with the vote unanimous to approve Article VI Section 1 to read: ...Officers will be nominated at the regular October meeting; elections will be held during the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter of year; elected Officers will assume their duties at the following 1<sup>st</sup> quarter regular meeting.

The updated Constitution and Membership form will be sent with the minutes and posted on the NMRC website, [https://www.neguard.org/retirement\\_council/](https://www.neguard.org/retirement_council/)

A motion was made to approve \$60 for Wreaths Across America to be placed on December 14<sup>th</sup> at Wyuka Soldiers Circle. The motion was seconded and approved.

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

Bill Nelson discussed that LB 153 (military retirement tax relief) will be forwarded to the Nebraska Legislature for debate in the next couple weeks. Notification of the date and time will be sent out when announced. Support for this bill with letters and attendance at the debate is highly encouraged.

Bill Nelson discussed the options being reviewed for the Annual Retiree Brief. SFC Amber Galheer as the ARNG Retirement NCO is checking into an agenda and location for a Retiree Brief during the summer or fall. An option will be Memorial Hall at Cp Ashland when available due to the flood repairs.

Dick Burch announced the next Veterans Career Fair will be held in April.

No further business was discussed.

Meeting adjourned at 0930, January 8, 2020.

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

**NMRC Meetings: April 8, 2020 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

Jan 17: VA Coffeehaus, Lincoln

Feb 8: Greater Nebraska Military Ball, Kearney

Apr 8: Retirement assistance (ARNG) & ID Cards, Omaha

May 23: NMRC Spring Social, Seward

Jun 23 & 24: Retirement assistance (ARNG) & ID Cards, Grand Island

Are you aware of someone retired or retiring? Please pass on our contact information.

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