



Vietnam Veterans Of America Chapter One

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MINUTES OF CHAPTER MEETING Sept. 12, 2007

The meeting was called to order by Chapter President Andy Megrath, at 6:02 PM. Chapter member Moe Burden led us in Pledge of Allegiance to the flag. There were 8 members present.

A motion was made and seconded to approve the secretary's report of August 2007 minutes as printed in the newsletter. Motion passed unanimously.

Treasurer Dave Mathis presented his report of chapter finances. The beginning August balance of \$15,901.57 is now \$17,027.36 due to deposits and interest on our accounts. A motion was made and seconded to approve his report, which passed unanimously.

President Andy Megrath reported that we have 132 members and 4 associate members.

As a follow-up to last month's chapter activity, President Megrath read a thank you letter from Christine Morgan, Executive Director of the Dodge House. (Detailed report in August newsletter.) She thanked the chapter for its generous donation of \$2000.00.

Discussion followed on the letter and the Dodge House. President Megrath reported that only \$801.00 was required to provide registration and insurance for the Dodge House van, as they found a more favorable rate. Continued discussion led to a motion by Bub Crosby and seconded by Dave Mathis to give to the Dodge House the balance of the unspent \$2000 (\$1199) for other insurance needs. The motion carried unanimously.

More discussion led to the following suggestion: If any Chapter 1 member or company that they work for would like to donate to the Dodge House, it would be greatly appreciated. To do so, send a check to VVA Chapter 1, 15 Wales Street, Rutland, VT 05701. Make the check payable to "Veterans Assistance Office, Inc.," the official corporate name of The Dodge House. The Dodge House is the only "veterans only" transitional housing facility in Vermont.

President Megrath announced that he will be visiting/attending the next VVA Vermont State Council meeting on September 22 in White River Junction, Vt. One item on his agenda will be to update other chapters on the Dodge House, and to request financial support.

A motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:41 PM was made, seconded, and passed.

Submitted by secretary for meeting, Richard Doyle.

**THE NEXT CHAPTER MEETING WILL BE WEDNESDAY. OCT 10, AT 6 P.M. AT THE
CHAPTER OFFICE AT THE VFW, 15 WALES ST., RUTLAND, VT**