

DAV CRADOCK CHAPTER 41
72 AFTON PARKWAY
PORTSMOUTH, VA 23702

14 JUL 2020

Minutes from Regular Chapter Meeting on 09 JUN 2020

1. Commander Zillian Fuller called meeting to order at 1830. She had the body stand.
2. Prayer was offered by Chaplain Charles Fuller.
3. Commander Zillian Fuller led in the pledge of allegiance.
4. Commander Zillian Fuller had the Chapter take their seats and asked Adjutant Charles Fuller call the roll.
5. Adjutant Charles Fuller called Roll Call:

Commander (CDR) Zillian Fuller	Present
Sr. Vice-Commander (SVC) Richard Reeder	Present
1 st Jr. Vice-Commander (1JV) John Lezon	Present
2 nd Jr. Vice-Commander (2JV) William Hatton	Present
Treasurer (TRE) Elizabeth Grover	Present
Chaplain (CHP) Charles Fuller	Present
Adjutant (ADJ) Charles Fuller	Present
Sergeant at Arms (SAA) Dean Sheridan	Excused
Officer of the Day (OOD) Frank Taylor	Absent
Immediate Past-Commander (IPC) James Smith	Present
- ADJ C. Fuller reported we have a quorum.
6. CDR Z. Fuller asked ADJ C. Fuller to read the minutes of the last meeting. A motion to accept the minutes as posted was made by SVC R. Reeder and seconded by IPC J. Smith.
7. CDR Z. Fuller gave the Treasurer's report. The report is subject to audit.
8. CDR Z. Fuller asked ADJ C. Fuller to read the bills against the Chapter. ADJ C. Fuller reported we had several bills: Stormwater (\$40.50), Cox (\$286.05), Dominion (\$102.38), Columbia Gas (\$0.00). Bills were paid IAW Chapter Bylaws.
9. CDR Z. Fuller asked CHP C. Fuller for a report of sickness and distress. He asked the Chapter to pray for National Chaplain Michael Dover's wife Latrelle, for Department Adjutant Bob Cox, for past Department Officers Ron Burgess and Ron Cotrill, Past Department Commander (PDC) Dan Miller, the Mannigan and Hoeflin families. Additionally, he asked for prayers for our society, our Department, and our Chapter.
10. CDR Z. Fuller asked ADJ C. Fuller if there are any new members. ADJ C. Fuller announced Rex Swetnam has just joined. Comrade R. Swetnam was unable to attend.
11. CDR Z. Fuller asked ADJ C. Fuller if there are any transfers. There are none.
12. CDR Z. Fuller asked ADJ C. Fuller for a report of communications with the Chapter. We received an email from our Department SVC which will be discussed later. We received a check from Farm Bureau refunding our insurance. We received our Annual Financial Report (AFR) kit. ADJ C. Fuller handed the AFR kit to TRE E. Grover.
13. CDR Z. Fuller asked for Committee Reports;

Audit – A final audit was held on TRE Z. Fuller's books. She passed with flying colors.
Finance – We are waiting on a Thrift Store update.
Constitution & Bylaws – No report
Entertainment – We had sandwiches from Which Wich

Chapter Executive Committee (CEC) – We will be discussing the issues later.

Homeless – No report

Hospital & Welfare – No report

Membership – We have 359 members

Transportation – We have been contacted about obtaining a van.

Fundraising – We hope to have Golden Corral starting soon.

Benefits Protection Team Leader (BPTL) – Please sign up for DAV Commander's Action Network (www.dav.org/can). The VA has taken the Disability Benefits Questionnaires (DBQs) off of their website.

Chapter Service Officer (CSO) – we have helped 236 people with claims

14. CDR Z. Fuller had the Chapter rise and face the East in memory of our fallen comrades.

15. CDR Z. Fuller had the Chapter take their seats.

16. CDR Z. Fuller opened discussion of Unfinished Business.

17. ADJ C. Fuller announced the CEC recommends Comrade Seth Barksdale serve as our new IT person. A motion to appoint Seth Barksdale as our IT person was made by ADJ C. Fuller on behalf of the CEC. CDR Z. Fuller asked for discussion. None was raised. CDR Z. Fuller called for the vote. Motion carried.

18. ADJ C. Fuller announced the need to update the key log.

19. ADJ C. Fuller announced the Department Convention is being abbreviated. Only the Commanders, DEC's, PDC's, and Department Officers may attend. Service Officer training is cancelled. A motion to send CDR Z. Fuller and her plus one was made by ADJ C. Fuller on behalf of the CEC. CDR Z. Fuller asked for discussion. SVC R. Reeder announced that because CDR Z. Fuller is our current DEC Alternate, she would be going in his stead to save the Chapter funds. CDR Z. Fuller called for the vote. Motion carried.

20. CDR Z. Fuller raised the issue of Department Committees. A motion to endorse Richard Reeder to serve on the Department Emergency Relief committee was made by ADJ C. Fuller on behalf of the CEC. CDR Z. Fuller asked for discussion. None was raised. CDR Z. Fuller called for the vote. Motion carried.

21. CDR Z. Fuller raised the issue of Department Officers. A motion to endorse Charles Fuller to serve as the Department Chaplain was made by SVC R. Reeder and seconded by IPC J. Smith. CDR Z. Fuller asked for discussion. None was raised. CDR Z. Fuller called for the vote. Motion carried.

22. CDR Z. Fuller asked for an update on the Thrift Stores. ADJ C. Fuller reported we are still waiting.

23. CDR Z. Fuller raised the issue of National Convention. A motion to send the CDR, SVC, 1JV, 2JV, and their plus ones to the National Convention was made by ADJ C. Fuller on behalf of the CEC. CDR Z. Fuller asked for discussion. A question was raised about affordability by Judge Advocate (JA) S. Barksdale. ADJ C. Fuller announced that the Chapter saved money in anticipation of possible shortfall. IPC J. Smith expounded on this. JA S. Barksdale reiterated the need to ensure that we would have funds for Emergency Relief. IPC J. Smith reiterated the plan to make it affordable. ADJ. C. Fuller asked to be recognized. CDR Z. Fuller cautioned this would be the last time. ADJ. C. Fuller reported the savings from saving from Department Convention will make National Convention affordable. He estimated \$4,000.00 was earned at Bayside and announced events should be starting up, soon. CDR Z. Fuller called for the vote. Motion carried.

24. CDR Z. Fuller raised the issue of the Centennial Celebration. A motion to send the CDR, SVR, IPC, and plus ones was made by ADJ C. Fuller on behalf of the CEC. CDR Z. Fuller asked for discussion. None was raised. CDR Z. Fuller called for the vote. Motion carried.
25. CDR Z. Fuller asked if there was any more Unfinished Business.
26. CDR Z. Fuller opened discussion of New Business.
27. CDR Z. Fuller raised the issue of CSO of the Year. She said she would entertain a motion to nominate William Hatton. A motion to nominate William Hatton for CSO of the Year was made by Comrade L. Ward and was seconded by Comrade M. Moten. CDR Z. Fuller asked for discussion. CHP C. Fuller spoke in favor of the nomination and associated motion. CDR Z. Fuller called for the vote. None was raised. Motion carried.
28. CDR Z. Fuller announced current CSOs will remain certified. Plans for training will be announced when we have them.
29. CDR Z. Fuller announced the Chapter reopened today.
30. CDR Z. Fuller raised the issue of cans. ADJ C. Fuller reported the CEC recommended giving the cans to Comrade R. Rubin. A motion to give Comrade R. Rubin the cans we collect was made by ADJ C. Fuller on behalf of the CEC. CDR Z. Fuller asked for discussion. IPC J. Smith read the National C&B regulation 5, part B. He stated that because the Chapter previously voted to use collected cans as a fundraiser to defray the cost of Conferences and Conventions, this is a mute (sic) subject. CDR Z. Fuller recognized JA S. Barksdale. JA S. Barksdale said Article 19 of the same chapters (Art. 19.1) states that this corporation is not organized for profit and so Comrade R. Rubin could not take the cans as they would be considered profit. CDR Z. Fuller recognized SVC R. Reeder. SVC R. Reeder proposed throwing the cans in the trash if this was going to be problematic. Comrade S. Walters interjected her disapproval. IPC interjected that we must handle the motion on the floor. CDR Z. Fuller banged the gavel to regain order. CDR Z. Fuller recognized Comrade S. Walters. Comrade S. Walters stated that the collection of cans was organized to raise funds for the Chapter and that she didn't understand stopping it because we were not able to use it for that which it was earmarked. SVC R. Reeder began to interject but was silenced by CDR Z. Fuller. Comrade S. Walters continued, stating the amount raised last year was "a couple hundred dollars." CDR Z. Fuller recognized CHP C. Fuller. CHP C. Fuller stated his confusion as to why there is a constitutional problem, now, as the cans were given to Comrade R. Rubin by the last administration. IPC J. Smith began to interject again. CHP C. Fuller stated he still had the floor and continued, pointing out that cans have been collected since he first came to the Chapter. He stated the amount raised was not as high as had been stated, that the previous vote was good, that no one had been injured, and that the cans were removed because no one was taking them which resulted in bugs. He continued that to argue over trash was beneath us, as a Chapter. He pointed out that after the vote at the CEC, one member stated she would stop saving cans, and therefore did not see a problem. CDR Z. Fuller recognized TRE E. Grover. TRE E. Grover asked that IPC J. Smith re-read the section he read, earlier and stated she would stop him when he came to the point where she had a question. IPC J. Smith stated the section deals with fundraising and a Chapter vote was previously taken to recognize the can collecting as a fundraiser. He continued that the funds raised "must provide a direct and substantial benefit to disabled veterans, their dependents and survivors." He reiterated that the Chapter voted to use the funds raised from cans to defray the cost of conferences and conventions M&IE. TRE E. Grover stated that she had her clarification. IPC J. Smith began to speak again. CDR Z. Fuller told him he had not been recognized and recognized Comrade L. Ward. Comrade L. Ward stated that since he came

to the Chapter three years ago, Comrade R. Rubin was taking the cans and turning them in, then bringing the money and putting it in our coffee mess collection. He continued that after the vote, the cans stacked up in the back room, they began to stink and draw roaches, as no one was taking them. IPC interjected that no one had called Comrade S. Walters. Comrade L. Ward continued, asking about the cost of insecticides to get rid of the roaches. CDR Z. Fuller recognized Comrade M. Moten. Comrade M. Moten stated the cans were not only a health hazard, but could have resulted in fines had the Fire Marshall come because they were blocking the rear exit. CDR Z. Fuller relinquished her gavel to SVC R. Reeder so that she may speak on the issue. She stated that cans have been collected for years. Comrade R. Rubin has taken the cans and brought in the money from it. She stated the coffee mess collection was started by Comrade R. Rubin, and that he is now mowing the Chapter lawn. She regained her gavel and called for the vote. IPC J. Smith asked to be recognized so that he may rebut. CDR Z. Fuller reminded him that he had already had enough time. IPC J. Smith threatened to file a grievance. CDR Z. Fuller answered that it was fine and called for the vote again. The nays were loud enough that CDR Z. Fuller asked for a hand vote. 11 members voted aye and 3 members voted no. Motion carried.

31. ADJ C. Fuller reported that the CEC recommended paying the remaining life membership amount for one of our members, Comrade L. Ward. A motion to pay the remaining life membership amount for Comrade L. Ward was made by ADJ C. Fuller on behalf of the CEC. CDR Z. Fuller asked for discussion. None was raised. CDR Z. Fuller called for the vote. Motion carried.
32. ADJ C. Fuller brought forward a request for assistance for Chapter 33 to defray the cost of the Spring Conference Hospitality Room. The CEC recommended to donate \$150.00 on behalf of Chapter 61. A motion to donate \$150.00 to Chapter 33, on behalf of Chapter 61, to help defray the cost of the Hospitality Room was made by ADJ C. Fuller on behalf of the CEC. CDR Z. Fuller asked for discussion. None was raised. CDR Z. Fuller called for the vote. Motion carried.
33. CDR Z. Fuller raised the issue of tee-shirts. ADJ C. Fuller reported the CEC recommended purchasing a variety of colors and sizes of the DAV Centennial pocket tee-shirt for use by those participating in Golden Corral fundraiser and for sale. A motion to purchase a variety of colors and sizes of the DAV Centennial pocket tee-shirt for use by those participating in Golden Corral fundraiser and for sale was made by ADJ C. Fuller on behalf of the CEC. CDR Z. Fuller asked for discussion. She mentioned that the pictures were at the front table if anyone wanted to look at them. No discussion was raised. CDR Z. Fuller called for the vote. Motion carried.
34. ADJ C. Fuller reported the CEC recommended donating the printer in the ADJ/TRE office to Chapter 61. A motion to donate the printer in the ADJ/TRE office to Chapter 61 was made by ADJ C. Fuller on behalf of the CEC. CDR Z. Fuller asked for discussion. None was raised. CDR Z. Fuller called for the vote. Motion carried.
35. SVC R. Reeder reported there is a move to have the Department raise the amount they will donate to individual ER Grant requests. We had 22 ER Grant requests since our last meeting. Comrade S. Walters interjected her question about whether the number of requests was for our Chapter alone, or Department-wide. SVC R. Reeder continued, saying the 22 were just Chapter 41, and that we helped 17 of them. CDR Z. Fuller recognized ADJ C. Fuller. ADJ C. Fuller asked if the 17 we helped were walk-ins, or were they referred to us by the Department? SVC R. Reeder reported they were referred to us by other Chapters because they were closed.
36. CDR Z. Fuller asked if there was any other New Business. None was raised.

37. Good of the Order: CDR Z. Fuller reported Chapter 41 received a \$500.00 donation from Calvin Freeman and a \$500.00 donation from Comrade Leroy Shook. She also reminded the Chapter about the 5th Tuesday Dinner coming up on 30 JUN 2020 at 1730. She announced the Chapter will provide hot dogs and hamburgers, which we have in the freezer. IPC J. Smith interjected the need to use them (the hotdogs and hamburgers) anyway. CDR Z. Fuller asked if there was anything else to add to the Good of the Order. She recognized TRE E. Grover. TRE E. Grover reminded the Chapter the computers will be inspected and worked on by JA S. Barksdale on Saturday. 13 JUN 2020. ADJ C. Fuller interjected the computers will be present. JA S. Barksdale interjected, stating he will have IPC J. Smith with him for maintenance and Comrade S. Walters with him for inventory. TRE E. Grover asked about the time and was told they would be here at 1000. JA S. Barksdale mentioned the old desktop computer in the ADJ/TRE office and proposed it might be used to search for jobs. ADJ C. Fuller mentioned the old laptops might be better suited. TRE E. Grover announced we have some Chapter tee-shirts left over and offered them for a \$5.00 donation. Several people commented. CDR Z. Fuller asked that interested parties see TRE E. Grover after the meeting. She announced she wanted to see all CSOs after the meeting. CDR Z. Fuller asked everyone to see ADJ C. Fuller to receive a Centennial Lapel Pin and Challenge Coin and reiterated her desire to see all CSOs after the meeting. She announced she would entertain a motion to adjourn.
38. A motion to adjourn was made by SVC R. Reeder.
39. CDR Z. Fuller had the Chapter render honor to the flag.
40. CHP C. Fuller closed the meeting with prayer.
41. The meeting was adjourned at 1930.
42. The next Chapter meeting will be on 14 JUL 2020 at 1830.

Submitted: _____, Adjutant

Approved: _____, Commander