



## ***PARCH-E- GRAM***

***PARCHE / THOUSAND ISLANDS BASE  
UNITED STATES SUBMARINE VETERANS INC.***

***MONTHLY MEETING/NEWSLETTER  
DATE 6/19/2021***

***MEETING CALLED TO ORDER BY CMDR FRED WHITE AT 1035. NOTE: THIS IS A  
COMBINED IN-PERSON & TELECONFERENCE MEETING.***

***ON-LINE ATTENDEES: JAMES KLINGER TREASURER; VCMDR BERNARD  
LANDERS; PAUL WALKER; JAMES KERR***

***IN-PERSON: CMDR FRED WHITE; SECRETARY JOSEPH ROMANOWSKI; BILL  
HANDY; BRENT BELTRAN; DAVID STRONG; KEN LANG; ED HARRIS***

***PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: LED BY CMDR FRED WHITE***

***OPENING PRAYER: LED BY CHAPLAIN KEN LANG***

***TOLLING OF THE BOATS: LED BY VCMDR BERNIE LANDERS***

***CREED: READ BY VCMDR BERNIE LANDERS***

### ***REPORTS:***

- SECRETARY'S REPORT: FRED WHITE ASKED IF ANY MEMBERS, HAVING  
READ THE MINUTES 5/17/2021 MEETING HAD ANY CORRECTIONS OR  
CONCERNS, THEY WERE ACCEPTED AS SUBMITTED.***
- TREASURER'S REPORT: JIM KLINGER STATED THERE WERE NO ACTIVI-  
TIES SINCE MID JANUARY. CURRENT CHECKING BALANCE 2242.56.***

***OLD BUSINESS***

- **CMDR WHITE HAD A ROLL CALL TAKEN TO IDENTIFY ALL PARTICIPANTS.**
- **CMDR WHITE HAD JIM KLINGER GIVE AN UPDATE ON HIS CURRENT HEALTH CONDITION AND BASE DUTIES HE HAS BEEN PERFORMING. A LONG DISCUSSION FOLLOWED REGARDING JIM'S DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES AS SECRETARY AND POC FOR THE PARCHE BASE. DAVE STRONG TO MEET WITH JIM KLINGER TO RUN THROUGH ACTIVITIES HE HAS BEEN PERFORMING AS SECRETARY. BERNIE LANDERS VCMDR TO ASSUME POC DUTIES FROM JIM KLINGER.**
- **CMDR WHITE NOTED THAT PARADE PARTICIPATION IS ONE OF OUR BASE MAIN EFFORTS AND DUE TO COVID, PARADES HAVE BEEN LIMITED. CMDR WHITE NOTED THAT DAVID STRONG TOOK THE LEAD, ON SHORT NOTICE, FOR THE BASE PARTICIPATION IN THE MEMORIAL DAY PARADE IN CENTRAL SQUARE. HE WAS ASSISTED BY PAUL WALKER AND ED HARRIS. CMDR WHITE STATED PARTICIPATION IN THE VETERANS DAY PARADE MAY OCCUR, TO BE DETERMINED.**
- **CMDR WHITE DISCUSSED A LUNCHEON AT THE EUCLID HOTEL. DISCUSSION REGARDING DINNER OR LUNCHEON ON HOLD.**
- **CMDR WHITE DISCUSSED AN ITEM TABLED AT THE PAST MEETING REGARDING LIFETIME DUES. CMDR WHITE SUBMITTED A PROPOSED CHANGE TO THE BASE BY-LAWS IN SUPPORT OF LIFETIME DUES. THIS WILL BE VOTED ON AT THE NEXT MEETING.**
- **CMDR WHITE OPENED DISCUSSION REGARDING OTHER VOLUNTEERS FOR BASE OFFICER POSITIONS.**

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

- **CMDR WHITE OPENED DISCUSSION REGARDING A BUDDY CHECK SYSTEM, TO ENSURE MEMBERS ARE ALL DOING OKAY. AS PART OF THIS EFFORT CMDR WHITE UPDATED THE MEMBERSHIP REGARDING HEALTH OF JOHN MCKINLEY, PAST BASE TREASURER AND SECRETARY.**
- **AS PART OF THE BUDDY CHECK EFFORT BASE CHAPLAIN (KEN LANG) DISTRIBUTED A PROPOSAL FOR A CALL-OUT CONTACT LIST TO IDENTIFY POTENTIAL MEMBER PROBLEMS AS PART OF THE BUDDY CHECK PROCESS.**
- **CMDR WHITE OPENED A DISCUSSION REGARDING THE CAPABILITY OF THE SPEAKER PHONE DEVICE AND HOW WELL IT WAS RECEIVED BY TELECONFERENCE PARTICIPANTS.**
- **CMDR WHITE SUGGESTED THAT THE NEXT MEETING BE FACE TO FACE, AND TELECONFERENCE ON SATURDAY JULY 17, 2021 AT 1030 AM, AT THE CALVARY CHAPEL OF SYRACUSE, ALL MEETINGS WILL ALSO INCLUDE THE TELECON METHOD, WHEN PRACTICAL.**

#### **GOOD OF THE ORDER:**

- **CMDR WHITE STARTED A 'ROUNDTABLE' TYPE OF DISCUSSION REGARDING THE MEETING, CRITICISMS OR ANYTHING ELSE MEMBERS WOULD LIKE TO BRING UP OR SUGGEST.**
- **PAUL WALKER OPENED BY NOTING THAT HE HAS JOINED THE VFW AT MEXICO. HE ALSO STATED THAT THE NAVAL CNO APPEARED BEFORE CONGRESS AND HE WAS LESS THAN FAVORABLE.**
- **VCMDR BERNIE LANDERS STATED THAT WE NEED MORE MEMBERS AND NOT JOINERS.**

- ***JIM KERR AGREES THAT WE NEED MORE PARTICIPANTS.***
- ***JIM KLINGER AGREES WITH THE DISTINCTION OF MEMBERSHIP VS JOINING***
- ***DAVID STRONG INFORMED JIM KLINGER THAT HE WOULD BE AVAILABLE FOR MEETING REGARDING TREASURER DUTIES BASED ON HIS AVAILABILITY.***
- ***ED HARRIS AGREES WITH PRIOR COMMENTS.***
- ***BILL HANDY EVERYONE CONSIDER MAKING DONATIONS FOR COFFEE. THE USS COD WAS TOWED TO SHIPYARD FOR UPKEEP.***
- ***BRENT BELTRAN STATED HE HAS A 20FT BY 30FT AMERICAN FLAG FOR ANYONE INTERESTED IN A LARGE AMERICAN FLAG.***
- ***MEMBERS ARE URGED TO WEAR THEIR SUBVETS HATS AND CARRY A FEW BUSINESS CARDS TO PASS OUT AS A RECRUITMENT TOOL.***
- ***CMDR WHITE SUGGESTED MEMBERS JOIN AN AMERICAN LEGION OR VFW TO SUPPORT OUR SUBVET BASE. SUGGESTED LEAVING CARDS AT THE VETERANS CLUB TO ASSIST IN RECRUITING NEW MEMBERS.***

***CLOSING PRAYER: LED BY CHAPLAIN KEN LANG***

***MEETING ADJOURNED: BY CMDR FRED WHITE AT 1139.***