October.17,2013 NDVCC MINUTES

OPENING:

President Gary Maddock called the meeting of the NDVCC at 1:03 PM on October 17, 2013 at the Comfort Inn in Bismarck

The pledge of allegiance was recited by all followed by a moment of silence for our troops in harm's way.

Roll call was taken with 8 members present including Bob Berg sitting in for Emery Fisher, Steve Volk sitting in for Dale Ronning, Rod Olin sitting in for Tom Saddler, Russ Stabler joined the meeting at 3:20pm, 7 members were absent, also in attendance were Lonnie Wangen VA Commissioner and Dean Overby Chairman of ACOVA.

The minutes were handed out and approved by a motion from Warren Tobin and seconded by Neil Prochnow, motion passed.

The finance report was given and approved by a motion from Neil Prochnow and seconded by Rod Olin, motion passed.

Old Business:

It was discussed and recommended to have a three fold joint VCC and ACOVA Brochure to be ready by early April, 2014. A suggestion by Tobin to have an insert for each legislative session so the brochure does not become outdated.

We need to be involved in the Legislative Orientation Session most likely to be scheduled in December 2014 for new (and all) legislatures.

Commissioner of Veteran's Affairs Lonnie Wangen prepared a Legislative Report from the last session which was shared with the council.

The VCC went into recess at 1:30pm to join the ACOVA, resumed at 3:20pm.

ACOVA Legislative Representatives (Jeff Hall, Ron Otto, Bob Olzweski, and Hal Weninger) joined the meeting. Commissioner Wangen discussed priorities for the next legislative session. His main objective is to include many of our requests, such as Vans, Veteran's Upward Bound, etc. in the Govenors Budget to decrease the number of Bills that need to be introduced.

New Business:

Next Meeting: Thursday, January 9, 2014 at the Comfort Inn in Bismarck at 1 PM. With no other business Russ Stabler moved to adjourn, second by Steve Volk, motion passed. Closing ceremonies were observed and adjourned at 3:35 PM.

Submitted by Dave Rice, Sec.