

# **SOUTH BERWICK MEMORIAL POST 5744**



**South Berwick, Maine**

**June 2019 – May 2020  
Yearbook**

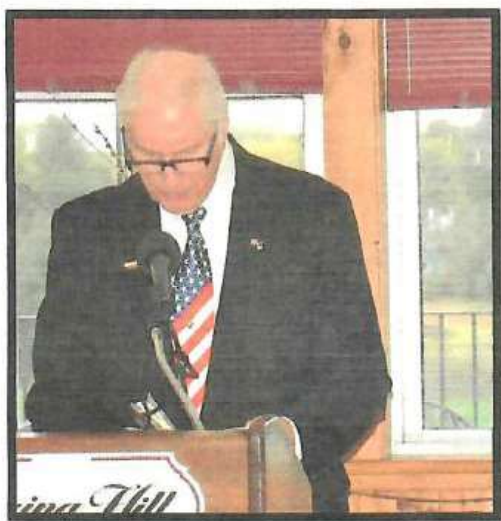
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## VFW Post 5744 Installation 2019-2020

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On May 14, 2019 the members of the VFW 5744 went to Spring Hill to install the officers for 2018-2019. We had a great Meal for \$25 per person. We had around the 50 people plus that we are required to have. At 5:00 pm as people started arriving snacks were laid out for people to have with their drinks. At 6:00 pm supper was served which consisted of Roast Beef, Broiled Fish, Asparagus and salad. After the meal the Installation began.

Post Commander Charles Hansen welcomed everyone and thanked them for coming. He then turned it over to Pastor Bruce Brown.

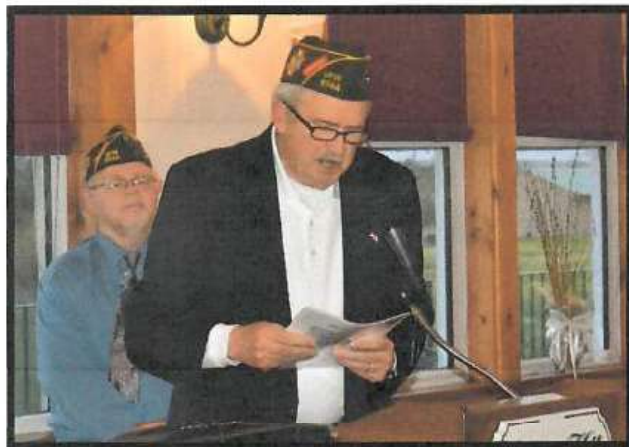


Pastor Bruce Brown had everyone bow their heads for the opening Prayer.



## VFW Post 5744 Installation 2019-2020 (Cont'd)

Past Commander John Elwell and Trustee had the new Officers assemble to his right as their name was called.



New Officers that were present (L-r) are Pastor Bruce Brown, Service Office Paul Lapierre, Adjutant Brent Roets, Quarter Master Roger Guptill and Post Commander Jeffrey Chase. New Officers missing are Sr vice Commander Michael Murray, Jr Vice Commander Barry Kray, Trustees, Glendon Johnson, Hazen Currier.

At this table (L-r) are Pattie Hansen, Edward Hagan, Janet Hagan, Past Quarter Master Malcolm Kenney, Sallyann Kenney and Judy Elwell.





## VFW Post 5744 Installation 2019-2020 (Cont'd)



At this table (L-r) is Thomas Joyce, Melanie Joyce, Marie Eighmey, Duane Eighmey, Joseph Gagnon, Cindy Gagnon, Laurene Wenners and Past Commander William Wenners.

At this table (L-r) is June Guptill, WW II Kenneth Goodwin, Maryam Goodwin, Dawn Chase, Stephen Shea and Maria Shea. At the far table (L-r) is Phyllis place, Mason Roets, Eric Roets, Liberty Roets and POW Raymond Brunelle.



At this table (L-r) is Nancy Brown, Richard Wood Sr, Richard Wood Jr, Jennifer Withee and Kathy Wood.

## VFW Post 5744 Installation 2019-2020 (Cont'd)

Closing Prayer (L-r) is Pastor  
Bruce Brown and Past  
Commander John Elwell.



I believe that everyone had a good meal and enjoyed the visit with other members.



## VFW Replacing Veterans Flags

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On May 18, 2019 the VFW members and Boy Scouts met at the evergreen Cemetery at 9:00 AM to place around 200 Flags on Veterans Graves in four Cemetery's in South Berwick, Maine. Everyone split up and had the job done in around 1 ½ hrs. It was a beautiful Day with a little wind but lots of sunshine.



In this photo (L-r) is Junior vice Commander Barry Kray, Past Quartermaster Malcolm Kenney, Post Commander Charles Hansen,



# VFW Veterans receive their Quilts

On May 19, 2019, the Rollinsford Legion Post sponsored the annual quilt presentation to local Veterans in the area. The Ladies who made these quilts presented 29 to local Veterans today. In years past, some Veterans were poorly treated as their service to the country was confused by some with personnel estimation of the countries politics. Sunday, at Rollinsford American Legion Post 47, there was none of this as 29 veterans were recognized for their service to their country. They were veterans from wars dating back to the 1940's and WW II.

Bill Robinson, director of the Legion Riders #47 welcomed an overflow crowd to the hall, and the honors presentations started. The name of each volunteer was called by Robinson, including a description of their service time and duty locations, members of quilts of valor met them at the front of the hall near the stage. 39 veterans were presented with a colorful, locally handmade quilt.



Member of the VFW Post # 5744 South Berwick is John Elwell.

Members of the VFW Post # 5744 South Berwick, is (L-r) Anthony Cincotta, Dennis Ouellette and Junior vice Commander Jeffrey Chase.



## VFW Veterans receive their Quilts (Cont'd)



Member of the VFW Post # 5744 South Berwick is David Peterson.



These are All the Veterans that received their Quilts On May 18, 2019. Thanks to all the hard work that these wonderful Ladies do. Also thanks to the Legion Riders that set this up with all the food, raffles drinks.



# Mark R. Schremmer Obituary



Mark R. Schremmer

Kittery, ME - Mark R. Schremmer, 72, of Kittery ME passed away on June 1st at his home. He was a member of both VFW and DAV posts.

A disabled former Lance Corporal who served in Vietnam in the Third Marine Division, he was a tireless advocate for veterans--especially those who survived combat in Southeast Asia. He spoke tirelessly on their behalf and personally helped many of his brothers. Mark lived by the Marine code

of Semper Fi, Always Faithful, as well as the ThirdMarDiv motto: Fidelity, Valor, and Honor.

Mark graduated from Toms River High School prior to joining the Marines. Following his military service, he relocated to New England and spent some years working with national and local music tours (most recently, Duke & the Drivers and The Mystix). He was affectionately known as "The Scoutmaster" among his many friends in the business.

He was predeceased by his parents, Anton Schremmer and Mary Schremmer, and brothers John Schremmer and Anthony Schremmer, all of NJ. He is survived by his brother Cris A. Schremmer and sister-in-law Colleen Schremmer, nieces and nephews Cris J. Schremmer (Denise), Carrie Napolitano (Chris), Brian, Curt, and Joyce Jeffers (Bill), all of Ocean County NJ. He also leaves behind cousins, grand-nieces and -nephews, as well as many devoted friends who considered him a "brother."

His final resting place will be at Southern Maine Veterans Cemetery at Springvale, alongside his brothers and sisters-in-arms, following an Honor Guard ceremony there on Friday, June 21st at 12PM. If you prefer to donate in lieu of flowers, the family asks that you donate in Mark's name to an organization (such as VFW) that benefits disabled veterans. Online condolences can be left for Mark at [www.jspelkeyfuneralhome.com](http://www.jspelkeyfuneralhome.com). Care for the Schremmer family has been entrusted to the JS Pelkey & Son Funeral Home



## Mark R. Schremmer Obituary (Cont'd)

Mark was not a member of our VFW Post 5744, but the Post was well represented at his service.



The Honor Guard stands ready to perform their duties for Mark. (L-r) is Commander John Elwell, Dennis Ouellette, Frank Milinski, Christian Muentener, Stanley Sheldon, Michael Murray and Roger Guptill. On the far right is Malcolm Kenney doing the Taps for the Service.



The two Marine, standing are ready to honor Mark. The VFW in Kittery did the service did a tremendous service.

# Minutes of Regular Meeting on 6-11-19



SOUTH BERWICK MEMORIAL POST 5744, VFW

South Berwick, Maine (Mustered February 26, 1946)

(Held at Mayo's Restaurant, in Berwick, ME.)

Members present 16, Guests 1

Commander – Charles Hansen

Commander Elect– Jeffrey Chase

Senior Vice Commander – Michael Murray

Junior Vice Commander – Barry Kray

Post Adjutant -Brent Roets

Post Chaplain – Bruce Brown

Post Service Officer - Paul Lapierre

Post Quartermaster – Roger Guptill

Post Historian – Robert Place

1800: Post Meeting called to order, by Commander Hansen, as per VFW Ritual.

We Rose for Pledge of Allegiance.

Opening Prayer, by Chaplain, Pastor Bruce Brown.

1805: Adjourned for Dinner.

1830: Resumed Meeting.

## Induction of Post Officers

Former Post Commander and current Post Trustee, John Elwell, swore in the following

Officers, for the Post's fiscal year 7-1-19 thru 6-30-20:

Senior Vice Commander – Michael Murray

Junior Vice Commander – Barry Kray

These officers were unable to attend the Induction Banquet Ceremony, at Spring Hill,

Held in May 2019.

## Post Minutes:

Upon motion duly made, by Paul Lapierre, and seconded, by John Elwell, it was unanimously voted to accept the Minutes of the Regular Post Meeting held on 4-9-19.

(There was no Regular Meeting in May 2019, as Post had Officer Induction Banquet at Spring Hill.)



## Minutes of Regular Meeting on 6-11-19 (CONTINUED)

### Post Quartermaster's Report:

Post Quartermaster gave his Financial Reports, for the Months ending 4-30-19 and 5-31-19. The Motion, by John Elwell, to accept Quartermaster's financial reports, subject to audit, and motion seconded, by Paul Lapierre. Unanimously voted to accept both reports.

### Post Service Officer's Report:

Paul Lapierre reported that Gary Spaulding is at Wentworth Douglass Hospital, in Dover, NH. He may require transfer to Mass General for treatment. (Note: At the time of distribution of these minutes, Gary had passed away.)

Malcolm Kenney has returned home, after a one-day stay at York Hospital, being treated for an eye infection.

### New Members Report:

There were no new Post Membership applications to be considered, at this meeting.

### Post Membership Committee Report:

Post Membership Committee has mailed out letters, to Post Annual Members, with unpaid yearly dues over six months in arrears. An ongoing monthly review of Membership status is continuing. The Committee will have meetings, on an as-needed basis. One position, on the Committee, is still open. If any Post Member is interested, please contact Roger Guptill at 207-676-9936.

### Old Business:

There were no presentations of Post Embroidered Ball Caps, by a Post Membership Committee Member, for the following eligible Post Members:

New Post Member	New Post Member
Donald Beaupre	Aldeo Clavette
Stephen Shea, Jr.	Freeman Lane
Carolyn Protzmann	Jason Siudut

### New Business:

1. Upon motion duly made, by Jeffrey Chase and seconded by Edward Hagan, it was unanimously voted to accept the Post's "Income" and "Expenditures" Budgets, for fiscal year 7-1-19 thru 6-30-20.

(NOTE: The Post's Temporary Budget Committee, consisting of 4 Post Members, including the Post's Quartermaster, had spent several hours putting these two budgets

together. All Committee Members had approved these two Budgets & recommended  
an affirmative vote, by the Post.)



## Minutes of Regular Meeting on 6-11-19 (CONTINUED)

2. Upon motion duly made, by Jeffrey Chase and seconded by Edward Hagan, it was unanimously  
voted to accept amendments to the "Quartermaster Expenditure Authorization" ("QEA"), to be effective this date. Original "QEA" was initially voted upon, at the Post meeting held on June 12, 2018. (NOTE: The Post's "Temporary Budget Committee" had spent several hours reviewing and updating this amended "QEA". All Committee Members had recommended an affirmative vote, by the Post.)
3. Discussion Regarding Post Bottled Water Fund Raiser, at South Berwick Strawberry Festival to be Held on June 29, 2019. Review Post "Sign-up List" and Contact Roger Guptill, at 207-676-9936, or Jeffrey Chase, at 207-676-8569, if you can help with the Water Sales. "Sign-up List" was also circulated at this meeting. Wagons/carts and coolers were also needed. If Members have some available, add these items to the list.
4. Upon motion duly made, by Paul Lapierre and seconded by Michael Murray, it was unanimously voted to reimbursement Post Member, John Elwell, \$289.95 for his purchase of a new 10'X 20' Commercial Heavy-Duty Pop-up Canopy Shelter, with hold-down pins and 6 heavy duty sandbag packs, for use with strong winds. This new canopy is to be used by the Post's Honor Guard and at the Post's annual Voluntary Poppy Toll event. (It should be noted that this type of canopy usually costs \$400.00 to \$500.00 dollars). John Elwell saved the Post \$50.00+, sales tax and shipping costs, by ordering in state of NH and using his Amazon Prime account.
5. Upon motion duly made, by Edward Hagen and seconded by John Elwell, it was unanimously voted to authorize the Kennebunk Savings Bank to remove the name of Charles Hansen, Past Post Commander and add the name of Jeffrey Chase, new Post Commander, to the Post's existing checking account, at said bank.
6. Post Commander Elect, Jeffrey Chase, presented a "Past Commander's Jacket" and a "Thank You" to Post Commander, Charles Hansen, who's current term is ending in June. Hank served two years, as Post Commander.
7. Upon motion duly made, by Edward Hagan and seconded by Michael Murray, it was unanimously voted to authorize the Post's Quartermaster, to establish a new Cumberland Farms "Smart Pay Link Account", at the Kennebunk Savings Bank, North Berwick Branch, for gasoline purchases for any Post owned Handicap Van. The Post's Quartermaster is authorized to replenish this account, from the Post's regular checking account, on an "as needed basis". **NO CHECKS TO BE WRITTEN FROM THIS ACCOUNT.**



## Minutes of Regular Meeting on 6-11-19 (CONTINUED)

8. Discussion and Votes for Proposed Post Expenditures not Already Authorized by the Post's "Quartermaster Expenditure Authorization", if any.
9. Upon motion duly made, by Jeffrey Chase and seconded by Edward Hagan, it was unanimously voted to approve the action taken, by Post Commander Elect, Jeffrey Chase, to accept in writing on behalf of the Post, an IRS "Qualified Charitable Distribution", from an anonymous Donor, in the Amount of \$500.00. Donor specifies that the amount is to be used only for the Post's General Fund Expenditures, relating to the Post Quartermaster, Post Adjutant and Post Historian.
10. Upon motion duly made, by Michael Murray and seconded by Bruce Brown, it was unanimously voted to approve the action, which Post Commander Elect, Jeffrey Chase took, to accept in writing on behalf of the Post, the donation of a 2007 Buick Handicap Ramp Van, from donor Kenneth Poirier and to authorize the expenditure of \$1500.00, at this time, for repairs on this Van. A large "Thank You" goes out to Post Member and Service Officer, Paul Lapierre, for arranging this donation to occur.
11. Upon motion duly made, by Jeffrey Chase and seconded by Michael Murray, it was unanimously voted to approve purchase of a 2003 Dodge Ram Handicap Lift Van, which closed on 6-5-19, for the purpose of critical transportation needs for double amputee Post Life Member, Gary Spaulding, to and from 4 hours of dialysis, three days a week. The purchase of this Van was a "top priority" and had to be expedited. The original advertised cost of the Dodge Van was \$10,000.00. The purchase price of the Van was \$8000.00 (\$8000.00 from the Post, of which \$5000.00 came from an IRS Code 501(c) (19) tax deductible donation from Gary Spaulding, to the Post's Relief the Post's General Fund, in the amount of \$1000.00. It should be noted that at a Post Special Meeting, held on 5-2-19, at Mayo's restaurant, with nine Post Members present, an expenditure of up to \$3500.00 was voted to get a Handicap Van, on the road. The initial 2001 vehicle transaction did not occur, as mechanics found that the vehicle had too many needed repairs and it was not cost effective to do the work.
12. Special Acknowledgements of Donations made to the Post: a) HP Garage (Harvey Paul, Owner), \$175.10 for analysis & repair on 2007 Buick vehicle air bag warning system. b) Spence Mathews (Insurance, Etc.) (Brad Scott, Owner), \$318.50 for initial 6 months insurance premiums, on 2003 Dodge Chairlift Van.



## Minutes of Regular Meeting on 6-11-19 (CONTINUED)

13. Post Quartermaster advised the Post, that he needed help working on Post Membership Lists information and making related phone calls.

14. Upon motion duly made, in writing, by Malcolm Kenney and seconded by John Elwell, it was unanimously voted to make a Post donation, in the amount of \$200.00 payable to Future Business Leaders of American's Convention, to be held in July 2019, in Texas. This donation is to help freshman school student, Maggie Mae Cove, defray part of the School's \$2800.00 needed to attend the convention. Maggie is the granddaughter of Post Life Member Charles Cove. Maggie's school had a fund raiser scheduled and it got rained out. She is a Pease Greeter and has helped the Post, with parking cars, at yearly picnics. This \$200.00 donation is to come from the Post's General Fund.

15. Other Business to Come Before the Post. Discussion regarding desperate need for drivers, for the 2003 Dodge Handicap Chairlift Van, to transport Gary Spaulding. Current insured drivers are Malcolm Kenney, Roger Guptill, Jeffrey Chase and Edward Hagan. All drivers need to be trained in the use of the Van and the chairlift. The better part of one full day is required to transport to and return from the 4 hours+ of dialysis. Drivers are currently working in teams of two. A huge "Thank You" to those who are currently volunteering their time.

### Good of the Order:

1. Reminder about new shingles vaccine.
2. Re: Agent Orange claims for "Blue Water Navy Veterans who served in the territorial sea of the "Republic of Vietnam and presumption of exposure. U.S. Congressional Bill H.R. 299 has, at the time of distribution of these minutes, become law.
3. Disabled Veterans, with VA Disability Rating of 10% or higher, are eligible for free National Park Service Lifetime Access Pass. Good for entry into 400+ National Parks and over 2000 recreation sites across the country.

**Next Post Meeting: NO REGULAR POST MEETINGS IN JULY AND AUGUST 2019. POST IS STILL PLANNING TO HAVE COOKOUT, IN AUGUST, AS USUAL.** Next Regular Post meeting is scheduled for **September 10, 2019.**

Closing Prayer given, by Chaplain Bruce Brown



## Minutes of Regular Meeting on 6-11-19 (CONTINUED)

### Vote to Adjourn:

Upon motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously voted to adjourn the meeting at 1950.

Post 50/50 Drawing: \$21.00, Winner: Roger Gupill (\$21.00 was donated back to the Post.)

Free Meal Drawing: \$10.00, Winner (No meal drawing this evening).

### Dates to Remember:

\*September 2 - Post Honor Guard Practice - Monday 1830 Hrs.

\*September 16 - Post Honor Guard Practice – Monday 1830 Hrs.

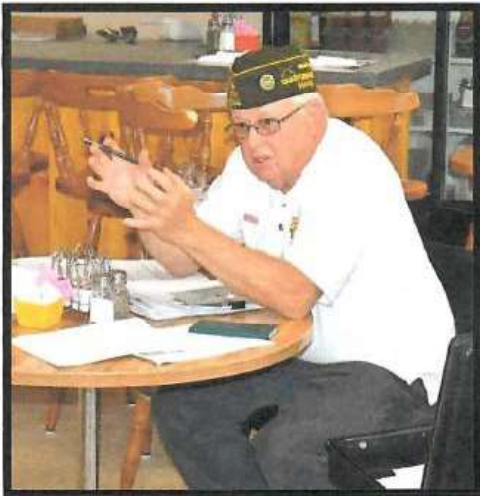
\*September 10 – Next Regular Post Meeting.

Ref: Documents/VFW 5744 Post Minutes of Meeting 6-11-19 (9-1-19)

## Minutes of Regular Meeting on 6-11-19 (CONTINUED)

ON June 11, 2019 the VFW Post 5744 had their last meeting at Mayos until Sept. 10, 2019.

In this photo (L-r) are Barry Kray the new junior vice Commander, Michael Murray senior vice Commander, being sworn in by past Commander John Elwell on the far right with Post Commander Charles Hansen on his left.

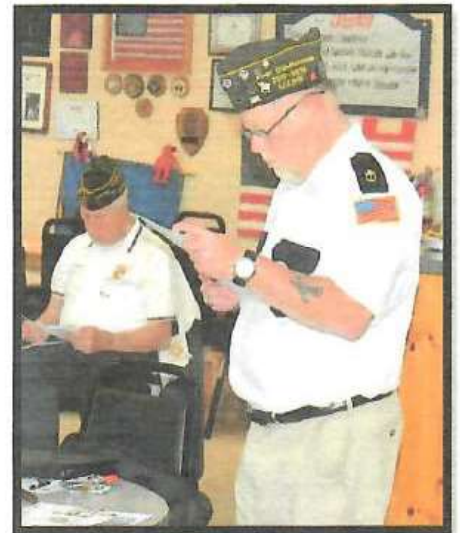


Post Quartermaster Roger Guptill.



## Minutes of Regular Meeting on 6-11-19 (CONTINUED)

Post Commander Charles Hansen on the right and Pastor Bruce Brown on the left.



(L-r) is James Protzmann, Edward Hagan, and Pastor Bruce Brown.

In this photo (L-r) is service Officer Paul Lapierre and POW Raymond Brunelle.



## Minutes of Regular Meeting on 6-11-19 (CONTINUED)



In this photo are (L-r) Post Adjutant Brent Roets and Eric Roets.

At this front table (L-r) is WWII Kenneth Goodwin, Post Commander Jeffrey Chase, Donald Beaupre, and John Dennett.



In this photo is (L-r) Senior vice Commander Michael Murray, Service officer Paul Lapierre, past Commander John Elwell and POW Raymond Brunelle.



## Minutes of Regular Meeting on 6-11-19 (CONTINUED)

Post Commander Jeffrey Chase presented the Commanders Jacket to past Commander Charles Hansen.



VFW June 11, 2019 Meeting (Cont'd)



Post Commander Jeffrey Chase on left presenting a Certificate of Appreciation to Eileen Mayo, in recognition and sincere appreciation for your catering service of the 2019 Berwick Citizenship Dinner sponsored by Charles S. Hatch Post 79. Your expert planning, preparation, and presentation of the Dinner for 120 guests was outstanding. The meal was delicious and was lauded by all those who attended the event. Your actions demonstrate

not only your patriotism but true compassion and service to veterans, our Community, State and Nation.

# Water Sales So. Berwick Strawberry Festival on 6-29-19

South Berwick Memorial Post 5744, VFW Post Quartermaster

Financial Report for 6-29-19 Fund Raiser

Water Sales – So. Berwick Strawberry Festival on 6-29-19

Gross Bottled Water Sales, at \$1.00 per bottle - - - - -	\$ 940.00	Less:
Cost of Bottles Water from Market Basket - - - - -	<\$ 233.22>	
(78 cases/24@case 16.9 OZ – 1872 bottles - .12 each)		
Less: Cost of crushed ice purchased from S. B. Fire Dept. - -	<\$ 114.00>	
(19 bags ordered @ \$6.00 each. Used 12 bags. See Item# 5 below)		
Less: Seventy-Two (72) ½ Gal. bottled ice chunks - - - -	<\$ 0.00>	
donated by Roger Guptill		
Net Bottled Water Sales, at \$1.00 per bottle - - - - -	\$ <u>592.78 (B)</u>	

## Other Cash Receipts from Fund Raiser:

1. 11 cases sold to Malcolm Kenney, at cost of \$3.00 each - \$ 33.00
2. 7 cases sold to Knights of Columbus, at \$3.00 - - - - \$ 21.00
3. 3 cases sold to Roger Guptill, at \$3.00 - - - - - \$ 9.00
4. 3 cases to Public, at \$3.00 - - - - - \$ 9.00
5. 10 cases to SBFD (Trade 10 cases for 10 bags ice, -- \$ 60.00  
based on 19 bags ordered. Net payment to SBFD  
Was \$54.00)
6. Cash Receipts, from Poppy Donations, at Booth - - - - \$ 93.40

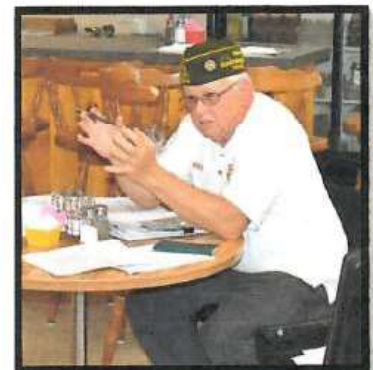
FUND RAISER NET INCOME, FROM ALL SOURCES - - - - \$ 818.18

TOTAL BANK DEPOSIT, FROM FUND RAISER - - - - -  
\$1,105.40

(B) BUDGETED NET PROFIT FROM WATER SALES = \$1000.00  
ACTUAL NET PROFIT = \$592.78

Prepared 7-18-19

By: Roger Guptill





# Commander's Message June 2019 VFW Post 5744



**Mustered February 26, 1946**



First and foremost, it's my honor and privilege to serve as your Post Commander. I look forward to working with a great VFW Post in South Berwick. I want to thank Past Commander Charles Hansen for his two years of leadership. I also want to thank all the Officers and Comrades for their continued hard work serving our Veterans and the local community.

I was born and raised in South Berwick and returned home after many OUTCONUS tours from the U.S. Coast Guard as a Warrant BOSN before retiring after 30 years of service in 2012. I've been an American Legion member for seven years and a member of the VFW Post 5744 as well previously serving as your Jr. Vice Commander for the last several years. My wife Dawn Chase of 29 years and I live in South Berwick with three dogs and a cat. I enjoy being outdoors, hiking, Beagling, motorcycling, snowmobiling, and hunting and fishing.

Why is all this important because you have entrusted me with the leadership of this great Post. I think it's important that you know a little bit about who I am and what I am about. I can assure you that I am not punching any tickets, nor do I have any agenda other than providing the best leadership of my abilities for this Post.

## **Bravo Zulu's**

### **Outstanding Achievement**

I want to recognize Roger Guptill stellar work as Post Quartermaster. He formed a budget committee and has worked hard to formalize a budget for the Post; an arduous task at best. Also, Roger worked with the newly formed Membership committee and it has yielded some great results, more to follow... We will further discuss my thoughts on Committees and their importance to our Post later.





## (Commander's Message June 2019 VFW Post 5744)

### Post 5744 Honor Guard Top Shelf

I want to recognize Dennis Ouellette and those members who have dedicated their time and effort to this very important duty. Unfortunately, they have been very busy performing services for our fallen Veteran's and families throughout Southern Maine and NH. Dennis took our Enfield weapons to parade rest two winters ago and meticulously refurbished them to their original condition.

He then assembled an outstanding Honor Guard Team of Post members and has since set the standard for other Post's to follow. IMHO there is no greater Honor next to serving our Country than honoring our fallen who have served and being there for the families.



(L-r) Commander of the Honor Guard is Past Commander John Elwell, Dennis Ouellette, Frank Milinski, Christian Muentener, Stanley Sheldon, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice Commander Michael Murray and Quartermaster Roger Guptill. On the far right is Malcolm Kenney ready to do Taps.

### Be Prepared

Since I am on my soap box; I will take this opportunity to highly encourage you and your families to be prepared and make your arrangements, many times we don't know when the Great Commander is going to call our number. Our Post Service Officer Anthony Cincotta typically does a great job covering this at our September meeting. In a nutshell here are things to consider a DNR should you desire, Will, Living Power of attorney, burial arrangements and type of service you want.





## **(Commander's Message June 2019 VFW Post 5744)**

### **Officer Installation**

May saw the election of new Post Officers and they were installed by Past Commander John Elwell in June at Spring Hill, again thank you in advance for your time and dedication to the Post. New Post Officer's, Jr vice Barry Kray, First vice Michael Murray, and Commander Jeffrey Chase. It was a great time had by all; thanks to all those who attended.



(L-r) Post Chaplain Bruce Brown, Post service Officer Paul Lapierre, Post Adjutant Brent Roets, Post Quartermaster Roger Guptill and Post Commander Jeffrey Chase. Some were not present for the installation.

### **Memorial Day Parade**

The Town of South Berwick enjoyed a great Memorial Day Parade/Ceremony and thanks to Malcolm Kenney who spearheaded the event as well as landing guest speaker Lt Timothy G. Wharton US Navy. Thanks to Post 5744 Honor Guard and all those who participated.



## (Commander's Message June 2019 VFW Post 5744)

### Quilts of Valor

Congratulations to Quilts of Valor recipient Dennis Ouellette. This is a great event and if you haven't had a chance to attend one you really must see it.



### Underway Moving Forward

#### Post Goals

##### Keep it simple

**Build** on existing Post and community programs

**Improve** communication, planning and member participation

**Appoint Post Public Affairs Officer**-to advertise and capture Post events and publish short articles in local media for improved visibility.

**Stand up Committees** for **Fundraising, Americanism**, and others as deemed necessary to improve Post planning and efficiency.

### Committee Work

Why so many Committees? Standing Committees are an essential tool for planning and ensuring the work of the Post gets done in an efficient manner. You don't have to be on a committee to share ideas or help with projects and events just contact a committee chair or member and they will greatly appreciate the help.

### Help Wanted and Have a Chair

If you have interest in any committee assignments, please contact me.

### Membership

Membership is a continuing challenge...we need to grow in these times to assure Veterans get their due. All of us are responsible for Membership, if everyone recruited just one new member this year it would be awesome.



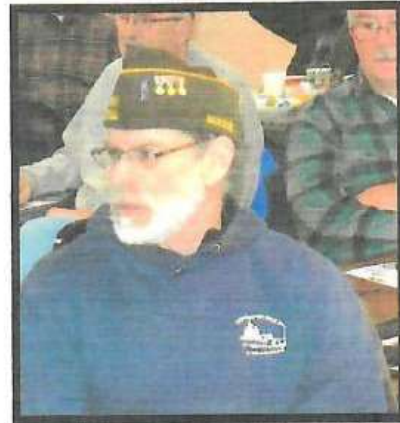
## **(Commander's Message June 2019 VFW Post 5744)**

### **On the Horizon**

- **29 June 0900-1600 South Berwick Strawberry Festival**
- **24 August Post Summer Picnic at Mal Kenny's 1200-1600**

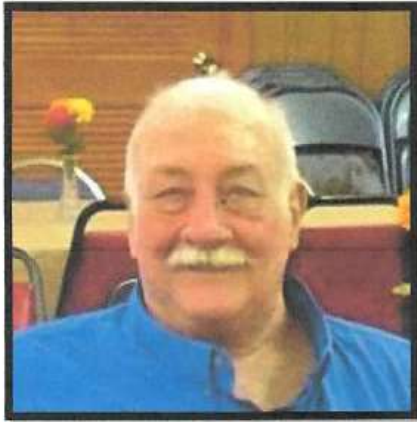
In Comradeship,

Jeffrey Chase  
Commander



# Gary's Spaulding Obituary

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Gary R. Spaulding, 72, a longtime resident of South Berwick, passed away peacefully August 18, 2019 at Langdon Place Rehabilitation in Dover, NH. Gary was born November 20, 1946 to the late Richard Spaulding and Mabel (Mull) Spaulding of Wallace, NE. He was a graduate of Wallace High School and attended two years at McCook

Junior College. Gary then joined the US Navy and became a submariner and was stationed on the USS Barb SSN 596. Gary was a key part of the first air sea rescue on a circular hulled submarine during Typhoon Rita in the Pacific in 1972 when he helped save the lives of four Air Force officers whose aircraft fell apart due to the storm. He received a Navy Commendation Medal for his part in the rescue.

Gary married Nancy Engle on January 6, 1973 in Ramsey, New Jersey. They began their life together driving cross country to his next station in CA and explored the country on their journey. He was an electronics tech in the Navy stationed in Hawaii, California, Connecticut and almost 4 years in Spain. They loved living in Spain and took advantage of the opportunities to travel through Europe. Gary had many stories of his life in Spain and on submarines and sleeping in the torpedo bay. He retired after 9 years of active duty and became a reservist. Gary and Nancy settled in South Berwick in 1977 and loved their new little town. He worked at the Portsmouth Naval Shipyard until 1996 when he retired and began to focus full time on his alarm company, Spaulding Security. He enjoyed working with his hands, woodworking, shooting, pheasant hunting in Nebraska, traveling and spending time with his grandchildren. He was always ready for a political chat.

Gary was a member of the Naval Reserve pistol team for 3 years. He was a member of the Wallace, Nebraska Masonic Lodge for 50 years, a District 11 Commander and past commander of the South Berwick VFW.



## Gary's Spaulding Obituary (Cont'd)

He is predeceased by his parents, brothers Don Spaulding and Harlan Spaulding and wife Nancy Spaulding.

He is survived by his daughter and son-in-law, Jasanna Sequeira and Allen Sequeira, and son and daughter-in-law, Jeffrey Spaulding and Kate Spaulding. He adored his 4 grandchildren and spent as much time as he could with them. Regan Sequeira, Liberty Sequeira and Colby Sequeira and Ned Spaulding were his daily joy in life. He always enjoyed calls and visits and sharing his fun childhood memories with them. He is survived by nieces and nephews Lance Spaulding, Stan Spaulding, Darrik Spaulding and Alex Spaulding, Jan Crenshaw, Linda Snow, Damaris Konold, Carol Huffman, Danika Deva, Danelis Mongrati and their families. He is survived by his best friends of 50 years Bruce Fulk and Ann Fulk of Wallace, NE.

A celebration of life will be held November 23, 2019 at 1 pm at First Parish Federated Church, South Berwick Maine. A service will be held in Wallace, NE in the summer of 2020. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to PKD Foundation, 1001 E. 101st Terrace Suite 220 Kansas City, MO, 64131.

## VFW awards Certificate

On August 27, 2019 the VFW Post 5744 went to the South Berwick Town Hall during their town monthly meeting and presented this certificate and check to Ryan Bisson .

Post Commander Jeffrey Chase presents certificate to Ryan Bisson for outstanding achievement and exceptional leadership ability evidenced by his attainment of the rank of Eagle Scout





# September 10, 2019 Meeting agenda

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SOUTH BERWICK MEMORIAL POST 5744, VFW  
South Berwick, Maine (Mustered February 26, 1946)  
AGENDA for Regular Meeting on **SEPTEMBER 10, 2019**  
(Held at Mayo's Restaurant, in Berwick, ME.)

Opening by: Commander Jeffrey Chase, As per VFW Ritual.

Pledge of Allegiance:

**Roll call of Officers –**

Commander Elect– Jeffrey Chase  
Senior Vice Commander – Michael Murray  
Junior Vice Commander – Barry Kray  
Post Quartermaster – Roger Guptill

Post Adjutant -Brent Roets  
Post Chaplain – Bruce Brown  
Post Service Officer - Paul Lapierre  
Post Historian – Robert Place

Opening Prayer: Chaplain, Pastor Bruce Brown

Adjourn for Dinner: Commander Jeffrey Chase

Resume Business Meeting: Commander Jeffrey Chase

Post Minutes:

Vote to Approve Minutes of Post Meeting held on 6-11-19.

Post Quartermaster's Report:

1. Post Quartermaster's Financial Reports, for the Months Ending 6-30-19, 7-31-19 and 8-31-19 and Post Vote to Accept all reports, Subject to Audit.

Post Service Officer's Report:

New Members Report:

Introduction of New Post Applicant(s), if any and Vote to Accept Them into the Post.

## Agenda for Regular Meeting on 9-10-19 (CONTINUED)

### Post Membership Committee Report:

Post Membership Committee has mailed out letters, to an additional Post Annual Members, with unpaid dues. An ongoing monthly review of Membership status is continuing. The Committee will have meetings, on an as-needed basis.

One

Position, on the Committee, is still open. If any Post Member is interested, please contact Roger Guptill at 207-676-9936.

### Old Business:

1. Presentation of Post Embroidered Ball Caps, by Post Membership Committee Member, to New Post Members Since Post Vote on 11-13-18, Who Have Not Yet Been Received.

#### New Post Member

Donald Beaupre

Stephen Shea, Jr.

Carolyn Protzmann

#### New Post Member

Aldeo Clavette

Freeman Lane

Jason Siudut

### New Business:

1. Discussion and Vote to Donate, to the Maine Veterans Home (MVH), in Scarborough, Maine, in the Amount of \$100.00 for the Purpose of MVH Buying Prizes for the Veterans' Entertainment Games. Expenditure to come from the Post's Relief Fund.

2. Discussion Regarding Commander's Appointment of New Post's Judge Advocate.

3. Discussion Regarding Planning Committees for following Post Activities:

(a) Possible Combined Posts Color Guard for Veterans' Recognition Day, at NOBLE High School Football Game Scheduled for September 20.

(b) Veterans' Day Which Includes Post's Honor Guard and a Color Guard, Scheduled for November 11, Inside South Berwick Town Hall.

(c) Volunteer Poppy Toll Scheduled for November 9. (Refer to File Info from Last Year)

(d) Pearl Harbor Day Ceremony, Scheduled for December 7. (Refer to Last Year's File Info) (e) Post Annual 50/50 Tickets and Drawing. Last Year Drawing was Held on 11-13-18.



## Agenda for Regular Meeting on 9-10-19 (CONTINUED)

(Refer to File Info from Last Year). (Privileged Info Associated with this Fund

Raiser)

(f) Greenwood Center, Sanford, ME. – Veterans' Recognition Day Ceremony,  
Scheduled for?? (Done Last Year on November 12. Michael Bates Headed  
up the Event.)

4. Any Applicants for Post's Scholarships.

5. Special Acknowledgements of Donations made to the Post.

a) HP Garage (Harvey Paul, Owner), for assistance in sale of 2007 Buick Handicap  
Ramp Van.

b) Spence Mathews (Insurance, Etc.) (Brad Scott, Owner), \$107.00 for 6 months of  
insurance premiums, on 2003 Dodge Chairlift Van, for added costs of coverage  
for additional drivers and towing added to Post's policy.

6. Other Business to Come Before the Post.

### Good of the Order:

1. Reminder about new shingles vaccine. DON'T FORGET, CHECK IT OUT.

2. Anthony Cincotta

(a) Consumer Price Index

(b) Blue Water Navy Benefits Update

(c) "Mission Act" Item(s)

Next Regular Post Meeting: October 8, 2019

Closing Prayer: Chaplain Bruce Brown

Vote to Adjourn: Commander Jeffrey Chase

**Post 50/50 Drawing: \$\_\_\_\_\_, Winner \_\_\_\_\_**

**Free Meal Drawing: \$10.00, Winner \_\_\_\_\_**

### Dates to Remember:

\*September 16 - Post Honor Guard Practice - Monday 1830 Hrs.

\*October 7 - Post Honor Guard Practice – Monday 1830 Hrs.

Ref: Documents/VFW 5744 Post Agenda 9-10-19(Last revised 9-6-19)



# Minutes of Regular Meeting on 9-10-19

SOUTH BERWICK MEMORIAL POST 5744, VFW  
South Berwick, Maine (Mustered February 26, 1946)  
Minutes of Regular Meeting on September 10, 2019  
(Held at Mayo's Restaurant, in Berwick, ME.)  
Members present 18, Guests 2

Commander – Jeffrey Chase  
Senior Vice Commander – Michael Murray  
Junior Vice Commander – Barry Kray  
Post Quartermaster – Roger Guptill

Post Adjutant -Brent Roets  
Post Chaplain – Bruce Brown  
Post Service Officer - Paul Lapierre  
Post Historian – Robert Place

1800: Post Meeting called to order, by Malcolm Kenney, as per VFW Ritual.  
We Rose for Pledge of Allegiance.  
Opening Prayer, by Paul Lapierre.  
1805: Adjourned for Dinner.  
1830: Resumed Meeting.

## Post Minutes:

Upon motion duly made, by Post Commander Jeffrey Chase, and seconded, by Malcolm Kenney, it was unanimously voted to accept the Minutes of the Regular Post Meeting held on 6-11-19. (There was no Regular Meeting in July or August 2019. The Post had its annual summer picnic in August.)

## Post Quartermaster's Report:

Post Quartermaster gave his Financial Reports, for the Months ending 6-30-19, 7-31-19 and 8-31-19. The motion, by Post Commander Jeffrey Chase, to accept Quartermaster's financial reports, subject to audit, and motion seconded, by Edward Hagan. Unanimously voted to accept all reports.



## Minutes of Regular Meeting on 9-10-19 (Cont'd)

### Post Service Officer's Report:

Paul Lapierre reported the following:

1. The service for Gary Spaulding is slated for November 23, 2019.
2. Kenneth Goodwin had bladder surgery and Malcolm Kenney took him a fruit basket and cards from various people.
3. Hank McGuiness is undergoing prostate treatment.
4. Joel Hilton is fine and back to work numerous personnel have been in contact with him.

### New Members Report:

There were no new Post Membership applications to be considered, at this meeting.

### Post Membership Committee Report:

Post Membership Committee has mailed out letters, to Post Annual Members, with unpaid yearly dues. An ongoing monthly review of membership status is continuing. The Committee will have meetings, on an as-needed basis. One position, on the Committee, is still open. If any Post Member is interested, please contact Roger Guptill at 207-676-9936.

### Old Business:

1. Post Ball Caps were presented to Jason Siudut and Stephen Shea, Jr's ballcap was given to his father to pass to him. Other than those there were no further presentations of Post Embroidered Ball Caps, by a Post Membership Committee Member, for the following eligible Post Members:

#### New Post Member

Donald Beaupre

Stephen Shea, Jr. (Given to father)

Carolyn Protzmann

#### New Post Member

Aldeo Clavette

Freeman Lane

Jason Siudut

2. Status of the van situations was given. The 2007 Buick was repaired and sold. Net money from this sale went into the general fund. The 2003 Dodge was repaired also and will be sold with the monies from that going into the Relief Fund.

## Minutes of Regular Meeting on 9-10-19 (Cont'd)

3. Upon motion duly made, by Malcolm Kenney and seconded by William Weners, it was unanimously voted, retroactively effective 7-30-19, to authorize the Post Commander OR Post Quartermaster to take the following actions:
  - a. Sign, on behalf of VFW Post 5744, all required documentation required for sale of any Post owned vehicle.
  - b. Sell, any post owned vehicle, on behalf of the Post.
4. Presentation by Jeffrey Chase to New Eagle Scout Ryan Bisson and the Town Select Board meeting. (Was brought up during New Business but was Old Business).



### New Business:

1. Upon motion duly made, by Michael Murray and seconded by Charles Hansen, it was unanimously voted, to make a donation, to the Maine Veterans Home(MVH), in Scarborough, Maine, in the Amount of \$100.00, for the Purpose of MVH Buying Prizes for the Veterans' Entertainment Games. Expenditure to come from the Post's Relief Fund.
2. Malcolm Kenney was appointed to the Post Judge Advocate position.
3. Discussion of the following Post Activities and general announcements:
  - a. Combined Posts Color Guard for Veterans' Recognition Day, at NOBLE High School Football Game Scheduled for October 18, 2019 at 1700.
  - b. Announcement that the Post honor Guard has been practicing twice a month and is performing great.
  - c. Presentation of a gift certificate to Arlene for supporting the Post.
  - d. Announcement that the President of the United States has declared September 11 to be Patriots Days and all flags will be flown at half-mast.



## Minutes of Regular Meeting on 9-10-19 (Cont'd)

- e. Veterans' Day Which Includes Post's Honor Guard and a Color Guard, Scheduled for November 11, Inside South Berwick Town Hall.
  - f. Volunteer Poppy Toll Scheduled for November 9. (Refer to File Info from Last Year)
  - g. Post Annual 50/50 Tickets and Drawing. Last Year Drawing was Held on 11-13-18. (Refer to File Info from Last Year). (Privileged Info Associated with this Fund Raiser)
  - h. Pearl Harbor Day Ceremony, Scheduled for December 7 at the town landing. (Refer to Last Year's File Info)
  - i. Comments and thanks by Malcolm Kenney on the Post Picnic. 61 people attended.
  - j. Post scholarship application was brought up (at end of meeting).
4. Special Acknowledgements of Donations made to the Post.
- a. HP Garage (Harvey Paul, Owner), for assistance in sale of 2007 Buick Handicap Ramp Van.
  - b. Spence Mathews (Insurance, Etc.) (Brad Scott, Owner), for 6 months of insurance premiums, on 2003 Dodge Chairlift Van, for added costs of coverage for additional drivers and towing added to Post's policy.

### Good of the Order:

- 1. Consumer Price Index
- 2. Blue Water Navy Benefits Update
- 3. Hour change at Manchester, NH clinic. 0800-1630
- 4. Mission Act Items deferred until next meeting

### Acknowledgements and Addresses

- 1. Speech to Post given by Bill Day the District 11 Commander.
- 2. Comments by Mike McGuinness, Old Orchard Beach Post 7997, on the inspection of the Post records he completed prior to and during the beginning of the current meeting.

### Next Post Meeting:

Next Regular Post meeting is scheduled for October 8, 2019.

## Minutes of Regular Meeting on 9-10-19 (Cont'd)

### Closing Prayer:

Closing Prayer given by Paul Lapierre

### Vote to Adjourn:

Upon motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously voted to adjourn the meeting at **1930.**

Post 50/50 Drawing: \$27.00, Winner: John Elwell (\$21.00 was donated back to the Post.)

Free Meal Drawing: \$10.00, Winner (No meal drawing this evening).

Before the meeting begun Mike McInnis is inspecting our Post annual requirement. (L-r) is Post Quartermaster Roger Guphill, Malcolm Kenney and Mike McInnis



New District 11 Commander Bill Day from the Old Orchard VFW Post 7997. Thanking the post and offering his assistance to anyone that would want assistance.



## Minutes of Regular Meeting on 9-10-19 (Cont'd)

At this table (L-r) is  
Junior vice  
Commander Barry  
Kray, Jason Siudut,  
Stephen Shea, John  
Dennett and Glendon  
Johnson.



At this table is (L-r) Edward Hagan,  
John Bartlett, New District 11  
Commander Bill Day from the Old  
Orchard VFW Post 7997 and  
District 11 Inspector Mike McInnis  
Old Orchard VFW Post 7997.

Post Quartermaster Roger Guptill



## Minutes of Regular Meeting on 9-10-19 (Cont'd)

At this table are Past Commander Charles Hansen, Past Commander William Widders and past Commander John Elwell.



At this table is Senior vice Commander Michael Murray, Post Service Officer Paul Lapierre and POW Raymond Brunelle.

At this table is Dennis Ouellette who oversees the rifle squad.



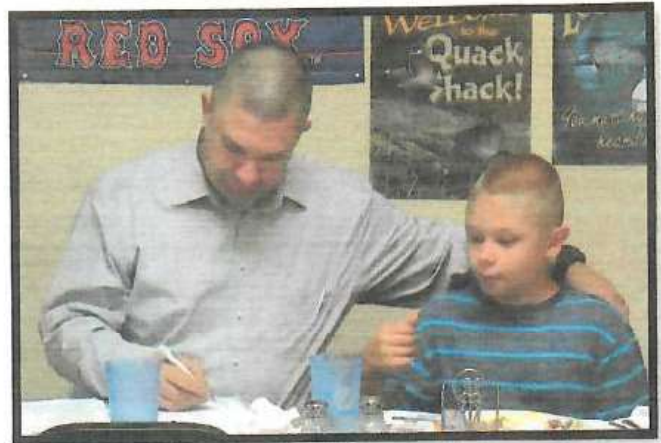


## Minutes of Regular Meeting on 9-10-19 (Cont'd)



In this photo is Our New Commander, (doing a great job) Jeffrey Chase.

At this table are (L-r) Our Post Adjutant Brent Roets and his son Mason Roets.



In this photo are (L-r) Post Commander Jeffrey Chase, Post Quartermaster Roger Guptill and Past Quartermaster Malcolm Kenney.

## AGENDA for Regular Meeting OCTOBER 8, 2019

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SOUTH BERWICK MEMORIAL POST 5744, VFW  
South Berwick, Maine (Mustered February 26, 1946)  
(Held at Mayo's Restaurant, in Berwick, ME.)

**Opening by:** Commander Jeffrey Chase, As per VFW Ritual.

**Pledge of Allegiance:**

**Roll Call of Officers:**

Post Commander – Jeffrey Chase  
Senior Vice Commander – Michael Murray  
Junior Vice Commander – Barry Kray  
Post Quartermaster – Roger Guptill

Post Adjutant -Brent Roets  
Post Chaplain – Bruce Brown  
Post Service Officer - Paul Lapierre  
Post Historian – Robert

Place**Opening Prayer:** Chaplain, Pastor Bruce Brown

**Adjourn for Dinner:** Commander Chase

**Resume Business Meeting:** Commander Chase

**Post Minutes:**

Vote to Approve Minutes of Regular Post Meeting held on 9-10-19.

**Post Quartermaster's Report:**

1. Post Quartermaster's Financial Report, for the Month Ending 9-30-19, and Post Vote to Accept Report, Subject to Audit.

**Post Service Officer's Report:**

**New Members Report:** Introduction of New Post Applicant(s), if any, & Vote to Accept Them into the Post.



## Agenda for Regular Meeting on 10-8-19 (CONTINUED)

### Post Membership Committee Report:

Post Membership Committee has mailed out letters, to Post Annual Members, with unpaid dues. An ongoing monthly review of Membership status is continuing. The Committee will have meetings, on a as-needed basis. One Position, on the Committee, is still open. If any Post Member is interested, please contact Roger Guptill at 207-676-9936.

### Old Business:

1. Presentation, to Eligible Post Members, of Post Embroidered Ball Caps Not Yet Issued by Post Membership Committee:

<u>Post Member</u>	<u>Post Member</u>
Donald Beaupre	Aldeo Clavette
Freeman Lane	Carolyn Protzmann

### New Business:

1. Discussion and vote to reimburse Post Quartermaster, Roger Guptill, the amount of \$75.00, which is 50% of the total cost of two EXCEL classes (twelve 2 hour classes) he will be taking, at NOBLE Adult Education, in October and November of this year. The Expenditure to come from the Post's General Fund, as a budgeted item designated as "Miscellaneous Expense".

2. Further Discussions Regarding Planning Committees and Post Member Participation for Following Activities:

(a) Combined Posts Color Guard for Veterans' Recognition Day, at NOBLE

High School Football Game Scheduled for October 18. (Muster time is 1630 ??)

(b) Veterans' Day Which Includes Guest Speaker, Post's Honor Guard and Boy Scout Color Guard, Scheduled for November 11, Inside South Berwick Town Hall, at 1400 hrs. ??)

(c) Volunteer Poppy Toll Scheduled for November, 0700 Hrs. to 1600 Hrs. (Refer to File Info from Last Year) (POST NEEDS MANY VOLUNTEERS TO MAKE THIS A SUCCESS!!)

(d) Pearl Harbor Day Ceremony, With Post Honor Guard, Scheduled for December 7, At 0800 hrs. sharp, at Service Landing near South Berwick/Rollinsford Bridge. (Refer to Last Year's File Info)

## Agenda for Regular Meeting on 10-8-19 (CONTINUED)

(e) Post Annual 50/50 Tickets. Availability of Tickets. Drawing to be Held at Post Meeting on 11-12-19.

(Refer to File Info from Last Year.)

2. Further Discussions Regarding Planning Committees and Post Member Participation for Following Activities (CONTINUED):

(f) Greenwood Center, Sanford, ME. – Veterans' Recognition Day Ceremony, Scheduled for???? (Done Last Year on November 12. Michael Bates

Headed up the Event.) Muster time: \_\_\_\_\_ ?? Hrs.

(g) Post Recruiting Day Event(s) on Election Day, 11-5-19, and Volunteers to Help with Event(s).

(h) Annual Assembly at Marshwood Great Works School, on 11-??-19.

(i) Remove Veterans' Flags from Veterans graves, on Saturday, 11-16-19, with Help from S.B. Boy Scouts and Others.

(j) Flag Retirement Ceremony, at Malcolm Kenney's home on Saturday, 11-16-19 at \_\_\_\_\_ Hrs.

3. Applicants for Post's Scholarships.

4. Update, by Commander Chase, on sale of 2003 Dodge 1500 Handicap Chairlift Van.

5. Other Business to Come Before the Post.

### Good of the Order:

1. Reminder about new shingles vaccine. DON'T FORGET, CHECK IT OUT.

2. Reminder about Flu vaccine.

3. Anthony Cincotta (????)

(a) Consumer Price Index

(b) Blue Water Navy Benefits (Presently, claims not accepted until 1-1-20)

(c) "Mission Act" Item(s)

Next Regular Post Meeting: November 12, 2019

Closing Prayer: Chaplain Bruce Brown



## Agenda for Regular Meeting on 10-8-19 (CONTINUED)

Vote to Adjourn: Commander Chase

Post 50/50 Drawing: \$\_\_\_\_\_, Winner \_\_\_\_\_

Free Meal Drawing: \$10.00, Winner \_\_\_\_\_

### Dates to Remember:

- \*October 5, Post Honor Guard for Veteran Edwin Waldron, at Evergreen Cemetery, in Berwick, at 1100 Hrs. (Muster time is 1000 Hrs.)
- \*October 7 - Post Honor Guard Practice – Monday 1830 Hrs.
- \*October 20 – VFW District 11 Meeting, at Sanford Post 9935, at 1400 Hrs. (Commander Chase will not be in attendance because of another commitment).
- \*November 1 – Yearly VETERANS RECOGNITION DAY EVENT, to be held at Marshwood Middle School, in South Berwick, on Friday 11-1-19(???) at 0900 hrs. (Meet & Greet starts at 0830 hrs.). Arrive early for better parking.
- \*November 23 – **SERVICE FOR POST LIFE MEMBER GARY SPAULDING, AT FIRST PARISH CHURCH, IN SOUTH BERWICK. POST HONOR GUARD WILL TAKE PART. TIME: 1300 HRS. (Muster time for Honor Guard is \_\_\_\_???). (Discuss availability of parking).**
- \*January 26, 2020 - VFW District 11 Meeting, at York Post 6977, at 1400 Hrs.
- \*May 10, 2020 – VFW District 11 Meeting, at Old Orchard Post 7997, at 1400 Hrs.

Ref: Documents/VFW 5744 Post Agenda 10-8-19

(Last revised 10-3-19)

# Minutes of Regular Meeting on 10-08-19

SOUTH BERWICK MEMORIAL POST 5744, VFW  
South Berwick, Maine (Mustered February 26, 1946)

## Minutes of Regular Meeting on October 8, 2019

(Meeting Held at Mayo's Restaurant, in Berwick, ME.)

Members present 19

Commander – Jeffrey Chase

Post Adjutant -Brent Roets

Senior Vice Commander – Michael Murray

Post Chaplain – Bruce Brown

Junior Vice Commander – Barry Kray

Post Service Officer – Paul Lapierre

Post Quartermaster – Roger Guphill

Post Historian – Robert Place

1800: Post Meeting called to order by Post Commander Jeffrey Chase, as per VFW Ritual.

We Rose for Pledge of Allegiance.

Opening Prayer was by Chaplain, Pastor Bruce Brown.

1805: Adjourned for Dinner.

1830: Resumed Meeting.

### Post Minutes:

Upon motion duly made, by Anthony Cincotta, and seconded, by John Elwell, it was unanimously voted to accept the Minutes of the Regular Post Meeting held on 9-10-19.

### Post Quartermaster's Report:

1. Post Quartermaster gave his Financial Reports, for the Months ending 9-10-19. The motion, by Anthony Cincotta, to accept Quartermaster's financial reports, subject to audit, and motion seconded, by John Elwell. The vote was unanimously voted to accept all reports.
2. Update by Post Commander Jeffrey Chase on the sale of the 2003 and 2007 Handicap vans was done at this time.

### Post Service Officer's Report:

1. No PSO report was given.



## Minutes of Regular Meeting on 10-08-19 (Cont'd)

### New Members Report:

1. There were no new Post Membership applications to be considered, at this meeting.

### Post Membership Committee Report:

1. Post Membership Committee has mailed out letters, to Post Annual Members, with unpaid yearly dues. An ongoing monthly review of membership status is continuing. The Committee will have meetings, on an as-needed basis. One position, on the Committee, is still open. If any Post Member is interested, please contact Roger Guphill at 207-676-9936.

### Old Business:

1. Post Ball Caps were presented to Donald Beaupre and Aldeo Clavette. Other than those there were no further presentations of Post Embroidered Ball Caps, by a Post Membership Committee Member, for the following eligible Post Members:

#### New Post Member

Freeman Lane

Carolyn Protzmann

2. Discussion of who oversees dispensing Fruit Baskets in North and South Berwick. If there is anyone needs a Fruit Basket in North or South Berwick Contact Malcolm Kenney.

### New Business:

1. Upon motion duly made, by Malcolm Kenney and seconded by Charles Hansen, it was unanimously voted, to reimburse Post Quartermaster, Roger Guphill, the amount of \$75.00, which is 50% of the total cost of two EXCEL classes (twelve 2 hour classes) he will be taking, at NOBLE Adult Education, in October and November of this year. Expenditure to come from the Post's General Fund, as a budgeted item designated a "Miscellaneous Expense".
2. Further Discussions Regarding Planning Committees and Post Member Participation for Following Activities:

## Minutes of Regular Meeting on 10-08-19 (Cont'd)

- (a) Combined Posts Color Guard for Veterans' Recognition Day, at NOBLE High School Football Game Scheduled for October 18. Muster time is 1700.
- (b) Veterans' Day Which Includes Guest Speaker, Post's Honor Guard and Boy Scout Color Guard, Scheduled for November 11, Inside South Berwick Town Hall, at 1400. Jason Siduit will be the guest speaker.
- (c) Volunteer Poppy Toll Scheduled for November 9, 0700 Hrs. to 1600 Hrs. (POST NEEDS MANY VOLUNTEERS TO MAKE THIS A SUCCESS!!)
- (d) Pearl Harbor Day Ceremony, With Post Honor Guard, Scheduled for December 7, at 0800 hrs. sharp, at Service Landing near South Berwick/Rollinsford Bridge.
- (e) Post Annual 50/50 Tickets. Availability of Tickets. Drawing to be Held at Post Meeting on 11-12-19.
- (f) Greenwood Center, Sanford, ME. – Veterans' Recognition Day Ceremony, tentatively scheduled for 11-12-19 at 1400. Michael Bates (207-698-5262) will be heading up this event.
  - (1) Upon motion duly made, by Malcolm Kenney and seconded by William Wenners, it was unanimously voted to donate \$80.00 from the Post Relief Fund to purchase 16 Service Pins to give to the veterans.
- (g) Post Recruiting Day Event(s) on Election Day at North Berwick Elementary Scholl, 11-5-19.
- (h) Annual Assembly at Marshwood Middle School, on 11-1-19 at 0900 with a 0830 muster.
- (i) Remove Veterans' Flags from Veterans graves with help from S.B Boy Scouts and others, on Saturday, 11-16-19 at 0900 at Woodlawn Cemetery.



## Minutes of Regular Meeting on 10-08-19 (Cont'd)

- (j) Flag Retirement Ceremony, at Malcolm Kenney's home on Saturday, 11-16 -19 at 1700.
- (k) Great Works Annual assembly – TBD – info to come from Malcolm Kenney.
- 3. No new applicants for Post's scholarships. It was reported that two personnel are currently receiving them. Post Commander Jeffrey Chase is working on a draft governing the Post Scholarship program.
- 4. It was reported at this time that Joseph Zagrosky health was deteriorating, and that Paul Robie health was improving. They were both reported to be at the Scarborough Retirement home. This was reported out of turn of the PSO report.

### Dates to Remember

- 1. October 20 – VFW District 11 Meeting, at Sanford Post 9935, at 1400 Hrs. (Post Commander Jeffrey Chase will not be in attendance because of another commitment). Michael Murray will be attending.
- 2. November 1 – Yearly VETERANS RECOGNITION DAY EVENT, to be held at Marshwood Middle School, in South Berwick, on Friday 11-1-19 at 0900 hrs. (Meet & Greet starts at 0830 hrs.). Arrive early for better parking.
- 3. November 23 – SERVICE FOR POST LIFE MEMBER GARY SPAULDING, AT FIRST PARISH CHURCH, IN SOUTH BERWICK. POST HONOR GUARD WILL TAKE PART. TIME: 1300 HRS. (Muster time for Honor Guard is 1200hrs).
- 4. January 26, 2020 - VFW District 11 Meeting, at York Post 6977, at 1400 Hrs.
- 5. May 10, 2020 – VFW District 11 Meeting, at Old Orchard Post 7997, at 1400 Hrs.

### Good of the Order:

- 1. Reminder to get the Flu vaccine and that Walgreens in Dover, NH is in the VA health system now.
- 2. Consumer Price Index is at 1.68%
- 3. The deadline for Real ID cards is Oct 2020.

## Minutes of Regular Meeting on 10-08-19 (Cont'd)

4. The new clinic will be open in Somersworth; NH will be open on or about 11-15-19.
5. Urgent Care coverage as described in the Mission Act. This is for personnel covered under VA health care.

### Next Post Meeting:

1. Next Regular Post meeting is scheduled for November 12, 2019.

### Vote to Adjourn:

1. Upon motion duly made by Malcolm Kenney and seconded by William Widders it was unanimously voted to adjourn the meeting at 1940.

### Closing Prayer:

Closing Prayer given by Chaplain, Pastor Bruce Brown.

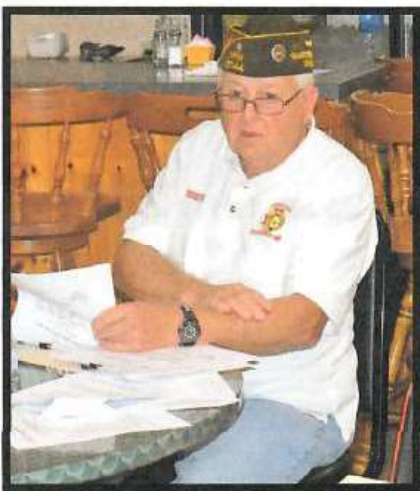
**Post 50/50 Drawing: \$25.00, Winner: Barry Kray (He donated winnings back to the Post.)**

**Free Meal Drawing: \$10.00, Winner: John Elwell**

VFW Post Commander Jeffrey Chase running the October Meeting



Post Quartermaster Roger Guptill giving his finances monthly Report.





## Minutes of Regular Meeting on 10-08-19 (Cont'd)



In this photo is (L-r)  
Past post  
Quartermaster  
Malcolm Kenney and  
WWII Veteran Kenneth  
Goodwin.

At this table is (L-r) Junior vice Commander  
Barry Kray, Past Post Commander Charles  
Hansen, Donald Beaupre and John Dennett.



## Minutes of Regular Meeting on 10-08-19 (Cont'd)



At this table are (L-r) Raymond Brunelle, Past Commander John Elwell, Post Service Officer Paul Lapierre, James Protzmann and Past Commander Nicholas Tsakiris.



At this table are (L-r) Past Post Commander William Wanners, Aldeo Clavette and Post Chaplain Bruce Brown.



## Minutes of Regular Meeting on 10-08-19 (Cont'd)



In this photo are (L-r) Post Adjutant Brent Roets and his sons to his left Mason Roets and at the front of the table is Eris Roets.

In this photo are (L-r)  
Refile Squad Leader  
Dennis Ouellette, Past  
Commander John Elwell  
and Anthony Cincotta.



# Area Veterans are honored at Noble High

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On Friday October 17, Area Veterans were honored by Noble High Football team for their service. Berwick Legion Post 79, South Berwick VFW post 5744, Legion Post 214 Lebanon Maine, North Berwick Post 87 and District 1 public Relation Officer James Moyer.

Post 87 Legion North Berwick  
Commander Donald Beaupre,  
Post 214 Commander James Cray,  
past Commander VFW Post 5744  
John Elwell, Post 87 North  
Berwick John Dennett, Post 87  
North Berwick Harry Forbes, VFW  
Post 5744 Stanley Sheldon, Post  
79 Commander Dennis Ouellette,  
1 District Commander John  
Bshara, VFW Post sr. Vice  
Commander Michael Murray and  
Group leader Past Post 79

Commander Anthony Cincotta. Hiding in the group is VFW Post 5744 Christian Muentener, Post 87 Thomas Littlefield, Post 214 Gerry Kibbey and Post 87 Ashmont Robbins.



District 1 Public Relations Office James Moyer sang the National Anthem. While he sang the mic quit so the Veterans jumped in and sang the rest of the song. It was great job.



## Area Veterans are honored at Noble High (Cont'd)

AS the veterans enter the ball field (L-r) front row is VFW Post 5744 John Elwell, Legion Post 87 John Dennett, Legion Post 87 Harry Forbes, VFW Post 5744 Stanley Sheldon and Squad leader Legion Post Past Commander Anthony Cincotta.



When the mic quit you can see the Veterans jump in to sing the rest of the song. It was totally orison.

# AGENDA for Regular Meeting NOVEMBER 12, 2019

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SOUTH BERWICK MEMORIAL POST 5744, VFW  
South Berwick, Maine (Mustered February 26, 1946)  
(Held at Mayo's Restaurant, in Berwick, ME.)

**Opening by:** Commander Jeffrey Chase, As per VFW Ritual.

**Pledge of Allegiance:**

**Roll Call of Officers:**

Post Commander – Jeffrey Chase  
Senior Vice Commander – Michael Murray  
Junior Vice Commander – Barry Kray  
Post Quartermaster – Roger Guphill

Post Adjutant -Brent Roets  
Post Chaplain – Bruce Brown  
Post Service Officer - Paul Lapierre  
Post Historian – Robert Place

**Opening Prayer:** Chaplain, Pastor Bruce Brown

**Adjourn for Dinner:** Commander Chase

**Resume Business Meeting:** Commander Chase

**Post Minutes:**

Vote to Approve Minutes of Regular Post Meeting held on 10-8-19.

**Post Quartermaster's Report:**

1. Post Quartermaster's Financial Report, for the Month Ending 10-31-19, and Post Vote to Accept Report, Subject to Audit.

**Post Service Officer's Report:** Paul Lapierre

**New Members Report:** Michael Murray

Introduction of New Post Applicant(s), if any, & Vote to Accept Them into the Post.



## Agenda for Regular Meeting on 11-12-19 (CONTINUED)

### Post Membership Committee Report: Roger Guptill

One Position, on the Committee, is still open. If any Post Member is interested, please contact Roger Guptill at 207-676-9936.

### Veterans Legislative Issues Anthony Cincotta

### Old Business:

1. Presentation, to Eligible Post Members, of Post Embroidered Ball Caps Not Yet Issued by Post Membership Committee:

#### Post Member

Donald Beaupre  
Freeman Lane

### New Business:

1. Discussion and Vote to Amend "QUARTERMASTER'S EXPENDITURE AUTHORIZATION" page 3 of 4, Item 22.
2. Further Discussions Regarding Planning Committees and Post Member Participation for Following Activities:
  - (a) Pearl Harbor Day Ceremony, With Post Honor Guard, Scheduled for December 7, At 0800 hrs. sharp, at Service Landing near South Berwick/Rollinsford Bridge.
  - (b) Remove Flags from Veterans' Graves, on Saturday, 11-16-19, 0900 Hrs. with Help from South Berwick Boy Scouts and Others. (Help needed from Post Members?)
  - (c) Flag Retirement Ceremony, at Malcolm Kenney's home, on Saturday, 11-16-19 at 1700 Hrs. with South Berwick Boy Scouts and Others. (Help needed from Post Members?)
3. Update on Voice of Democracy and Patriots' Pen Essays. Malcolm Kenney
4. Applicants for Post's Scholarships.
5. Other Business to Come Before the Post.

## Agenda for Regular Meeting on 11-12-19 (CONTINUED)

### Good of the Order:

1. Reminder about new shingles vaccine. DON'T FORGET, CHECK IT OUT.
2. Reminder about Flu vaccine.

Next Regular Post Meeting: December 10, 2019

Closing Prayer: Chaplain Bruce Brown

Vote to Adjourn: Commander Chase

DRAWING OF WINNERS, FOR POST'S ANNUAL 50/50 FUND RAISER.

Post 50/50 Drawing: \$\_\_\_\_\_, Winner \_\_\_\_\_

Free Meal Drawing: \$10.00, Winner \_\_\_\_\_

### Dates to Remember:

- \*November 23 – SERVICE FOR POST LIFE MEMBER GARY SPAULDING, AT FIRST PARISH CHURCH, IN SOUTH BERWICK. POST HONOR GUARD WILL TAKE PART. TIME: 1300 HRS. (Muster time for Honor Guard is \_\_\_\_???). (Discuss availability of parking).
- \*December 2 - Post Honor Guard Practice – Monday 1800 Hrs.
- \*December 7 - Pearl Harbor Day Ceremony, With Post Honor Guard, at 0800 hrs. sharp, at Service Landing near South Berwick/Rollinsford Bridge.
- \*January 26, 2020 - VFW District 11 Meeting, at York Post 6977, at 1400 Hrs.
- \*May 10, 2020 – VFW District 11 Meeting, at Old Orchard Post 7997, at 1400 Hrs.

Ref: Documents/VFW 5744 Post Agenda 11-12-19

(Last revised 11-5-19)



# Minutes of Regular Meeting on 11-12-19

SOUTH BERWICK MEMORIAL POST 5744, VFW  
South Berwick, Maine (Mustered February 26, 1946)  
Minutes of Regular Meeting on November 12, 2019

(Meeting Held at Mayo's Restaurant, in Berwick, ME.)

Members present 22

Commander – Jeffrey Chase

Post Adjutant -Brent Roets

Senior Vice Commander – Michael Murray

Post Chaplain – Bruce Brown

Junior Vice Commander – Barry Kray

Post Service Officer – Paul Lapierre

Post Quartermaster – Roger Guptill

Post Historian – Robert Place

1800: Post Meeting called to order by Post Commander Jeffrey Chase, as per VFW Ritual.

We Rose for Pledge of Allegiance.

Opening Prayer is by Chaplain, Pastor Bruce Brown.

1805: Adjourned for Dinner.

1839: Resumed Meeting.

## Post Minutes:

1. Upon motion duly made, by Michael Bates, and seconded, by Charles Hansen, it was unanimously voted to accept the Minutes of the Regular Post Meeting held on 11-12-19.

## Post Quartermaster's Report:

1. Post Quartermaster gave his Financial Reports, for the Months ending 10-31-19. The motion, by Barry Kray, to accept Quartermaster's financial reports, subject to audit, and motion seconded, by Bruce Brown. Unanimously voted to accept all reports.

## Minutes of Regular Meeting on 11-12-19 (Cont'd)

2. Discussion was held on the various local organizations holding Poppy Drives and the possible impacts on the Post. Topics discussed were community burn out; coordinating the different organization drive dates and that some organizations have scheduled times around Memorial Day they are supposed to have the drive.

### Post Service Officer's Report:

1. Paul Lapierre gave the Post Service Officer's Report. Members conditions are as follows:
  - a. Gary Spaulding, Service is to be held on 23 NOV.19, 1300 at the First Federated Church in South Berwick.
  - b. Richard LaBonte is at Langdon Place for the next three weeks and would enjoy visitors
  - c. Thomas Joyce is doing fine and recovering well.

### New Members Report:

1. There was one new member presented, Jeremy Feenstra. He is originally from Somersworth, NH and joined the Navy in 1987. He was approved by the Membership Committee at the meeting (Michael Murray, Bruce Brown and Roger Guptill) and upon motion duly made, by Bruce Brown, and seconded by Roger Guptill, it was unanimously voted to accept Jeremy Feenstra as a new member at the Regular Post Meeting held on 11-12-19.

### Post Membership Committee Report:

1. No Post Membership Committee Report given at this time.

### Veteran's Legislative Issues

1. Anthony Cincotta advised that the Consumer Price Index is 1.6%.
2. The new Somersworth VA clinic opened on 25OCT19.
3. Article in VFW Magazine concerning commissary privileges for disables veterans with disability ratings ranging from 0% - 100%. To gain access to base and the Commissary you will need to have your VA Health Identification Card.

### Old Business:

1. There were no further presentations of Post Embroidered Ball Caps, by a Post Membership Committee Member, for the following eligible Post Members:  
New Post Member  
Freeman Lane



## Minutes of Regular Meeting on 11-12-19 (Cont'd)

Carolyn Protzmann

2. Recommended viewing: Travis Mills' motivational speaker video on having a positive attitude.
3. Comments on how well the Veterans Day ceremonies went.

### New Business:

1. Discussion and Vote to Amend "Quartermaster's Expenditure Authorization" page 3 of 4, Item 22. Upon motion duly made, by Roger Guptill, and seconded, by Malcolm Kenney, it was unanimously voted to accept "Quartermaster's Expenditure Authorization" page 3 of 4, Item 22 change concerning the authorization for monetary donations to various local organizations (South Berwick Food Pantry, Somersworth Food Pantry, North Berwick Christmas Project and Rollinsford (NH) Policeman's Benevolent Association) for the amount of \$300 as soon as possible at the Regular Post Meeting held on 11-12-19.
  - a. Discussions were had concerning the amount given and whether it would be the same year to year. In the end it was decided to approve it for this year and work on it for the following year.
2. Further discussions regarding Planning Committees and Post member participation for the following activities:
  - a. Discussion of Honor Guard and requesting of additional volunteers by Dennis Ouellette.
  - b. Upon motion duly made, by Anthony Cincotta, and seconded, by Michael Murray, it was unanimously voted to make a \$500 contribution and advertise/promote/publicize 2A Tactical by the Post for their services rendered in refurbishing and cleaning the Post Honor Guard rifles at the Regular Post Meeting held on 11-12-19.
  - c. Pearl Harbor Day Ceremony, with Post Honor Guard, scheduled for December 7, at 0800 hrs. at the Service Landing near South Berwick/Rollinsford Bridge.
  - d. Remove flags from veterans' graves, on Saturday, 11-16-19, 0900 Hrs., with help from South Berwick Boy Scouts and others.
  - e. Flag retirement ceremony, at Malcolm Kenney's home, on Saturday, 11-16-19 at 1700 Hrs. with South Berwick Boy Scouts and Others.

## Minutes of Regular Meeting on 11-12-19 (Cont'd)

3. It was reported by Malcolm Kenney that there were no Voice of Democracy applicants this year and that there were approximately 50 applicants for Patriot's Pen.
  - a. Additionally, it was reported that Marshwood Middle School will fall under the Kittery VFW Post jurisdiction, but we will retain Marshwood High School. We will also be investing some time recruiting at other schools within our area. Volunteers are needed.
4. It was reported that there are three applicants for the Post Scholarship.
5. Discussion of upcoming Membership Committee is needed.
6. Post bonding issue discussion.
  - a. State Quartermaster stated we did not need to further adjust our bond. Members disagree that we need to cover the full amount we have on our books. Discussion was table and the Post Quartermaster stated he would speak with the State Quartermaster again.

### Yearly 50/50 Fundraiser Drawing Results

\$500.00 Perrie Ellsworth # 39  
\$300.00 Larry Fogarty # 6  
\$200.00 Glendon Johnson # 32  
\$200.00 Marylou Turcotte # 33  
\$150.00 Kevin Downing # 23  
\$150.00 Allan Patterson # 29  
\$150.00 Nicholas Tsakiris # 30  
\$150.00 Jackie Schoff # 42  
\$150.00 Regina Carpenter # 46  
\$150.00 VFW Post 6977 # 49  
\$100.00 Joseph Gagnon # 10  
\$100.00 John Ford # 11  
\$100.00 Bill Wenners Thomas Joyce Split # 15  
\$100.00 Carlton Spring # 38

Good of the Order: No report was given. Information was given during the Veterans Legislative Issues section.



## Minutes of Regular Meeting on 11-12-19 (Cont'd)

### Next Post Meeting:

1. Next Regular Post meeting is scheduled for December 10, 2019.

### Dates to Remember:

1. November 23 – SERVICE FOR POST LIFE MEMBER GARY SPAULDING, AT FIRST PARISH CHURCH, IN SOUTH BERWICK AT 1300.
2. December 2 - Post Honor Guard Practice – Monday 1800 Hrs.
3. December 7 - Pearl Harbor Day Ceremony, with Post Honor Guard, at 0800 hrs. at Service Landing near South Berwick/Rollinsford Bridge.
4. January 26, 2020 - VFW District 11 Meeting, at York Post 6977, at 1400 Hrs.
5. May 10, 2020 – VFW District 11 Meeting, at Old Orchard Post 7997, at 1400 Hrs.

### Closing Prayer:

1. Closing Prayer given by Chaplain, Pastor Bruce Brown.

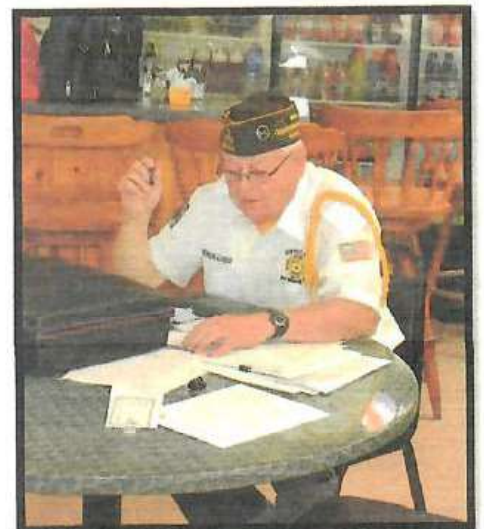
### Vote to Adjourn:

1. Upon motion duly made by Michael Bates and seconded by Charles Hansen it was unanimously voted to adjourn the meeting at 1940.

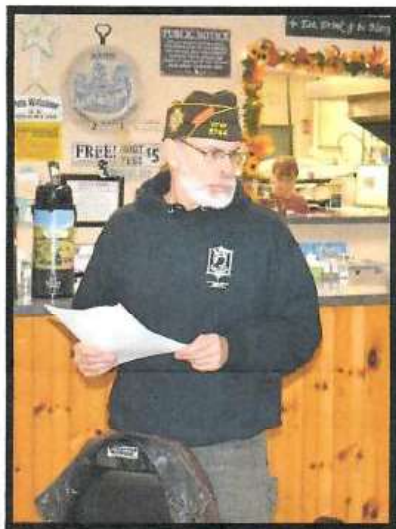
**Post 50/50 Drawing: \$28.00, Winner: Paul Lapierre**

**Free Meal Drawing: \$10.00, Winner: Paul Lapierre**

In this photo is Post Quartermaster Roger Guptill.

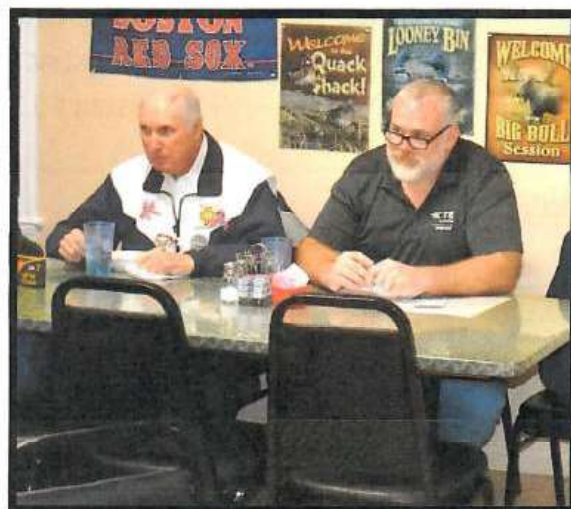


## Minutes of Regular Meeting on 11-12-19 (Cont'd)



In this photo is Post Commander Jeffrey Chase

In this photo are (L-R) Pastor Bruce Brown and New Member Jeremy Feenstra.



At this table (L-R) are Jr vice Commander Barry Kray, Past Commander Charles Hansen, John Dennett and Glendon Johnson.



## Minutes of Regular Meeting on 11-12-19 (Cont'd)

At this table are Michael Bates, Pass Commander John Elwell and Pass Commander William Wenners.



In this photo is Post Adjutant Brent Roets.



In this photo are (L-R) Anthony Cincotta, Post Service Officer Paul Lapierre, POW Raymond Brunelle and SR vice Commander Michael Murray.



## Minutes of Regular Meeting on 11-12-19 (Cont'd)



In this photo are (L-r) Honor Guard member Stanley Sheldon and Honor Guard Leader Dennis Ouellette.



# AGENDA for Regular Meeting December 10, 2019

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SOUTH BERWICK MEMORIAL POST 5744, VFW  
South Berwick, Maine (Mustered February 26, 1946)  
(Held at Mayo's Restaurant, in Berwick, ME.)

**Opening by:** Commander Jeffrey Chase, As per VFW Ritual.

**Pledge of Allegiance:**

**Roll Call of Officers:**

Post Commander – Jeffrey Chase  
Senior Vice Commander – Michael Murray  
Junior Vice Commander – Barry Kray  
Post Quartermaster – Roger Guptill

Post Adjutant -Brent Roets  
Post Chaplain – Bruce Brown  
Post Service Officer - Paul Lapierre  
Post Historian – Robert Place

**Opening Prayer:** Chaplain, Pastor Bruce Brown

**Adjourn for Dinner:** Commander Jeffrey Chase

**Resume Business Meeting:** Commander Jeffrey Chase

**Post Minutes:**

Vote to Approve Minutes of Regular Post Meeting held on 11-12-19.

**Post Quartermaster's Report:**

1. Post Quartermaster's Financial Report, for the Month Ending 11-31-19, and Post  
Vote to Accept Report, Subject to Audit.

**Post Service Officer's Report:** Paul Lapierre

**New Members Report:** Michael Murray

Introduction of New Post Applicant(s), if any, & Vote to Accept Them into the Post.

**Post Membership Committee Report:** Roger Guptill

Report on Committee meeting held on 11-27-19, at home of Post Quartermaster,  
Roger Guptill.

## Agenda for Regular Meeting on 12-10-19 (CONTINUED)

One Position, on the Committee, is still open. Post Members interested in serving, please contact Roger Guptill at 207-676-9936. This Committee only meets on an "as-needed basis".

Veterans Legislative Issues: Anthony Cincotta

### Old Business:

1. Presentation, to Eligible Post Members, of Post Embroidered Ball Caps Not Yet Issued by Post Membership Committee:

Post Member

Freeman Lane

### New Business:

1. Further discussion and Vote to Amend "QUARTERMASTER'S EXPENDITURE AUTHORIZATION" page 3 of 4, Item 22.

2. Further Discussions Regarding Planning Committees and Post Member Participation for Following Activities:

(a) Anticipated Number of Eagle Scout Monetary Awards and Certificate Presentations, for current Post Fiscal Year.

3. Discussion Regarding Possible Purchase of a MVH "Wish List" Item, for Maine Veterans' Home, in Scarborough, ME. (MVH). (Last year, Post Donated 100 pounds of mixed bird seed and some bird feeders.) i.e. sweatpants, gift certificates.

4. Patriots' Pen Essay (if we have a winner) banquet scheduled for Jan 11 6 pm (Bangor?)

Malcolm Kenney

5. Post Commander's Update, on Post Quartermaster's "Bond".
6. Other Business to Come Before the Post.



## Agenda for Regular Meeting on 12-10-19 (CONTINUED)

### Good of the Order:

1. Reminder about new shingles vaccine. **DON'T FORGET, CHECK IT OUT.**
2. Reminder about Flu vaccine.

Next Regular Post Meeting: January 14, 2020

Closing Prayer: Chaplain Bruce Brown

Vote to Adjourn: Commander Jeffrey Chase

**Post 50/50 Drawing: \$ \_\_\_\_\_, Winner \_\_\_\_\_**

**Free Meal Drawing: \$10.00, Winner \_\_\_\_\_**

**Drawing, for Post "Give-a-Way" Item. Winner \_\_\_\_\_**

### Dates to Remember:

\* December 15, 2019 – "Christmas Tea Party", at Maine Veterans' Home, in Scarborough, ME (MVH) Time: 1000 thru 1200 hrs. Chance to talk with Veterans, at the party and other Veterans in their rooms. Help make this an "uplifting" and memorable day for our fellow Veterans. (Discuss possible carpooling?)

\*December 29, 2020 -Scholarship presentations at 1230 Post 47 American Legion Rollinsford, NH.

\*January 26, 2020 - VFW District 11 Meeting, at York Post 6977, at 1400 Hrs.

\*May 10, 2020 – VFW District 11 Meeting, at Old Orchard Post 7997, at 1400 Hrs.

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(Last revised 12-5-19)

Post Commander Jeffrey Chase



# Minutes of Regular Meeting on 12-10-19

SOUTH BERWICK MEMORIAL POST 5744, VFW  
South Berwick, Maine (Mustered February 26, 1946)

## Minutes of Regular Meeting on December 10, 2019

(Held at Mayo's Restaurant, in Berwick, ME.)

Members present 20

Commander – Jeffrey Chase

Senior Vice Commander – Michael Murray

Junior Vice Commander – Barry Kray

Post Quartermaster – Roger Guptill

Post Adjutant -Brent Roets

Post Chaplain – Bruce Brown

Post Service Officer – Paul Lapierre

Post Historian – Robert Place

### Opening:

1800: Post Meeting called to order by Post Commander Jeffrey Chase, as per VFW Ritual.

We Rose for Pledge of Allegiance.

Opening Prayer by Chaplain, Pastor Bruce Brown.

1805: Adjourned for Dinner.

1830: Resumed Meeting.

### Post Minutes:

2. Upon motion duly made, by William Wengers, and seconded, by Charles Hansen, it was unanimously voted to accept the Minutes, of the Regular Meeting held on 11-12-19, as amended by Post Quartermaster Roger Guptill.

### Post Quartermaster's Report:

3. Post Quartermaster gave his Financial Reports, for the Months ending 11-30-19. Upon motion duly made, by Barry Kray, and seconded, by Charles Hansen, it was unanimously voted to accept Quartermaster's financial reports, subject to audit.

### Post Service Officer's Report:

Paul Lapierre gave the Post Service Officer's Report. Members conditions are as follows:

- d. Joseph Gagnon, wife Cindy Gagnon broke her ankle and is in Room 316 at Portsmouth Regional Hospital.
- e. Richard LaBonte is out of rehab and a home.



## Minutes of Regular Meeting on 12-10-19 (Cont'd)

### New Members Report:

2. No new members to report. It was restated that Jeremy Feenstra is the newest member.

### Post Membership Committee Report:

2. Report on Committee meeting held on 11-27-19, at the home of Post Quartermaster, Roger Guptill, from 1000 to 1230 hrs. Michael Murray, Bruce Brown, Jeffrey Chase, as Post Commander and Roger Guptill were in attendance. Meeting was successful and productive.
3. One position on the committee is still open. Post members interested in serving please contact Roger Guptill at 207-676-9936. This committee only meets on an "as needed" basis. (It should be noted that Post Commander, Jeffrey Chase nominated Post Life Member Barry Kray to the Post Membership Committee, on 12-11-19, and Barry accepted the position, on 12-12-19. Post Quartermaster, Roger Guptill, has the emails documenting this appointment, which is on file in the Post records.)

### Veteran's Legislative Issues

4. Article in VFW Magazine concerning commissary privileges for disables veterans with disability ratings ranging from 0% - 100%. To gain access to base and the Commissary you will need to have your VA Health Identification Card.
5. Upon motion duly made, by Anthony Cincotta, and seconded, by John Elwell, it was unanimously voted to donate towards the building of a wheelchair ramp for a Marine Corp. Veteran Francis McCarthy, of Berwick, ME. Further voted to authorize the Post's Executive Board, to vote the actual amount to expend. The total donated amount is not known, at this time, but the total cost of the project will be split among various organizations (VFW Post 5744, Somersworth VFW, Berwick American Legion and Berwick Town Manager's Office). Anthony Cincotta will advise the Post's Quartermaster, as to the Payee's name, once he has that information. (It should be noted that the amount voted by the Executive Board was \$300.00, as the Post's portion of this project.)

### Old Business:

4. There were no further presentations of Post Embroidered Ball Caps, by a Post Membership Committee Member, for the following eligible Post Members:  
New Post Member  
Freeman Lane
5. Discussion held to inform Post members that if they want to buy a Post VFW ball cap, they need to purchase them directly from Deb & Dukes in Berwick.

## Minutes of Regular Meeting on 12-10-19 (Cont'd)

6. Upon motion duly made, by Glendon Johnson, and seconded by Paul Lapierre, it was unanimously voted to purchase an ad on Mayo's Family Restaurant's upcoming placemats order, in the amount of \$65.00, for the company 2A Tactical, L.L.C., as per agreement, who has pledged to perform ultrasonic cleaning of the Honor Guard Rifles in exchange for advertising. (It should be noted that the Post voted a donation, to 2A Tactical, at the Post's meeting on 11-10-19.)

### New Business:

1. Upon motion duly made, by Barry Kray, and seconded by William Weners, it was unanimously voted to amend "QUARTERMASTER'S EXPENDITURE AUTHORIZATION" page 3 of 4, Item 22. These concerns making monetary donations in November versus December to aid needy families at the South Berwick Food Pantry, Somersworth/Berwick Food Pantry, North Berwick Christmas Project and the Rollinsford, N.H. Police Department Benevolent Association.
2. Further discussions regarding Planning Committees and Post member participation for the following activities:
  - a. Anticipated number of Eagle Scout monetary awards and certificate presentations for current Post fiscal year. Further information is needed.
3. Discussion Regarding Possible Purchase of a MVH "Wish List" Item, for Maine Veterans' Home, in Scarborough, ME. (MVH). Upon motion duly made, by Post Commander Jeffrey Chase, and seconded, by Bruce Brown, it was unanimously voted to spend up to \$150 on sweatpants with fly for the veterans at the MVH to be delivered on December 15, 2019.
4. Presentation to Eileen Mayo, of Mayo's Family Restaurant, of a Christmas card and gift certificate for supporting the Post.
5. Patriots' Pen Essay banquet scheduled for Jan 11 at 6 pm in Bangor. The Post's level four Patriot's Pen Essay winners, their families, teachers and Judges will be hosted for dinner, at the Post meeting to be held on February 11, 2020. Monetary and certificate awards will be presented at that meeting.
6. The number of applicants for the Post Scholarship is currently 2.
7. Post Commander's Update, on Post Quartermaster's "Bond". Bond covers the Post's Quartermaster in a case of theft or fraud. We have raised the bond from \$23,000 to \$32,000.



## Minutes of Regular Meeting on 12-10-19 (Cont'd)

### Good of the Order:

1. Reminder to get your shingles and flu vaccine.

### Next Post Meeting:

2. Next Regular Post meeting is scheduled for January 14, 2020.

### Dates to Remember:

1. December 15, 2019 – “Christmas Tea Party”, at Maine Veterans’ Home, in Scarborough, ME (MVH) Time: 1000 thru 1200 hrs. Chance to talk with Veterans, at the party and other Veterans in their rooms. Help make this “uplifting” and memorable day for our fellow Veterans.
2. December 29, 2020 – Scholarship presentations at 1230 Post 47 American Legion Rollinsford, NH.
3. January 26, 2020 – VFW District 11 Meeting, at York Post 6977, at 1400 Hrs.
4. February 11, 2020 – Patriot’s Pen Winners joining us for dinner and presentations
5. May 10, 2020 – VFW District 11 Meeting, at Old Orchard Post 7997, at 1400 Hrs.

### Closing Prayer:

1. Closing Prayer given by Chaplain, Pastor Bruce Brown.

### Vote to Adjourn:

1. Upon motion duly made by Post Commander Jeffrey Chase and seconded by John Elwell it was unanimously voted to adjourn the meeting.

**Post 50/50 Drawing: \$30.00, Winner: John Dennett**

**Free Meal Drawing: \$10.00, Winner: Glendon Johnson**

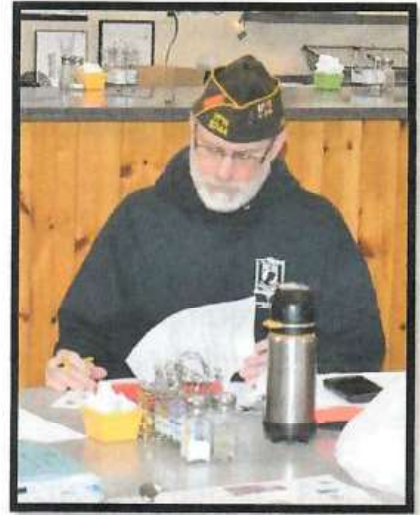
**Free Crock pot, Winner: Michael Murray**

At this table is Post Quartermaster Roger Guptill



## Minutes of Regular Meeting on 12-10-19 (Cont'd)

At this table is VFW Post Commander Jeffrey Chase.



At this table are (L-r) WWII veteran Kenneth Goodwin, Past Commander John Elwell, Sr. vice Commander Michael Murray, Past Commander Charles Hansen and Past Commander William Widders.

At the round table is (L-r) John Dennett, Jr. vice Commander Barry Kray, and Glendon Johnson.





## Minutes of Regular Meeting on 12-10-19 (Cont'd)



At this table are (L-r)  
Post Adjutant Brent  
Roets, Eris Roets and  
Edward Hagan.

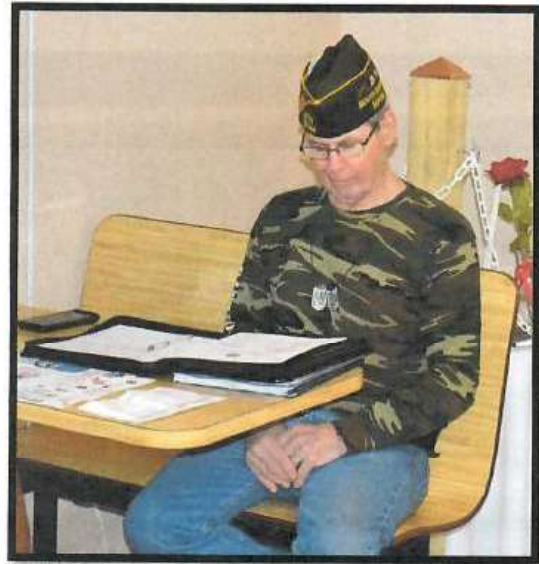
At the first tables (L-r) are Aldeo  
Clavette, Post Chaplain Bruce  
Brown and Jeremy Feenstra.



At this table are (L-r) Anthony Cincotta, Post Service Officer Paul Lapierre, Pow Raymond  
Brunelle and Sr vice Commander Michael Murray.

## Minutes of Regular Meeting on 12-10-19 (Cont'd)

At this table is Honor Guard leader Dennis Ouellette.





# Scholarship Presentations

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December 29, 2020 -Scholarship presentations at 1230 Post 47 American Legion  
Rollinsford, NH.



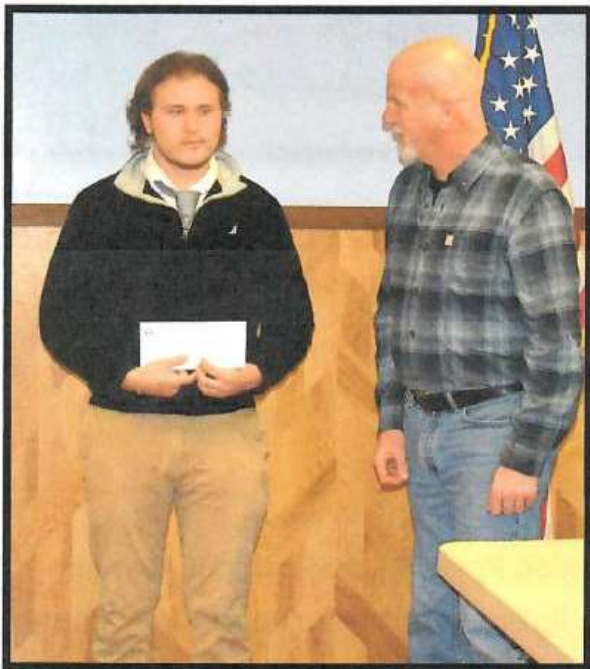
At the head table (L-r) are Larry Larkin, Mariann Germain, Freeman Lane, Ronald Chabot and Malcolm Kenney.



Presenting this Legion Post 47 scholarship is Mariann Germain to Ena L. Baker from Marshwood High School.

## Scholarship Presentations (Cont'd)

Presenting this Legion Post 47 scholarship is Larry Larkin to Megan Moore from Marshwood High School



Presenting this Legion Post 47 scholarship is William Robinson to Carter Laforce from St. Thomas High School.



## Scholarship Presentations (Cont'd)

**Presenting this VFW Post 5477 scholarship is  
Post Commander Jeffrey Chase to Kasey Davis**



**Presenting this VFW Post 5477  
scholarship is Past Post Quartermaster  
Malcolm Kenney to Thomas Spinney from  
Marshwood High School.**

## Scholarship Presentations (Cont'd)

Students that received Legion Post 47 Scholarships (L-r) are Carter Laforce, Ena L. Baker, Megan Moore and Post Commander Mariann Germain.



Receiving the VFW Post 5744 Scholarship is Thomas Spinney, with Post Commander Jeffrey Chase. The other VFW Post 5744 Scholarship was giving to Emma Wood, who wasn't present.



# Charles Edward Cove Obituary

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YORK, Maine - On Saturday, January 11, 2020, Charles Edward Cove, loving husband, father of four children, grandfather of seven, and great-grandfather to three, of York, Maine and The Villages, Fla., passed away at age 77 in York, Maine.

Chuck was born on November 1, 1942 on Westover Airforce Base in Chicopee, Mass., to Charles Cove and Mary Cove. He served his country in the United States [Army](#) and the United States Marine Corps. While in the Marine Corps, Chuck honorably served two combat tours in Vietnam, receiving two [Purple Hearts](#). On November 30, 1968, he married the love of his life, Joan (Rowley, Woodhead) Cove. Together they raised four children in Ludlow, Mass., summered at their home in York Beach, Maine, laughed each day, and spent 51 years

together as best friends and partners in life.

After serving in the military he had a successful career in the HVAC/R mechanical engineering industry. He retired from Carrier Corporation UTC as Vice President of International Sales in 2002. Not one to remain idle, Chuck returned to work in 2003 as Vice President of International Sales for Dectron Internationale until he retired once again in 2010. Chuck Cove and Joan Cove enjoyed traveling together on his many business trips and experiencing the world together. He was known for his quick wit, brilliant engineering mind, his infectious smile, ability to make everyone laugh out loud, and his kind and compassionate spirit.

He was an active member of the Seacoast Detachment #394 of the Marine Corps League, Knights of Columbus Star of the Sea Council #11940, Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 5744 South Berwick, Disabled American Veterans, Parish of the Ascension of the Lord in York, Maine and St. Vincent DePaul Parish in The Villages, Fla. While in Florida Chuck enjoyed an active life with Joan and friends, and the two found time to put their playful sense of humor to actual work by becoming professional clowns (Chicopee Chuckee & Greta) and enjoyed giving of their time to local children for story time and at Special Olympics events.

## Charles Edward Obituary (Cont'd)

Chuck also had a passion for life and serving others. In 2005 he co-founded the Pease Greeters. The Greeters welcome troops passing through Portsmouth International Airport on their way to, or from, Afghanistan or Iraq, or any areas of conflict in any part of the world. Chuck served as the co-chairman for the first five years and then served as chairman until 2017 when he stepped down for health reasons. Chuck believed in dedicating his life to serving those who serve or have served our country. His dedication, and service, along with fellow founders, was honored and recognized by President George W. Bush in 2008 at the White House and Pentagon. In 2010 Chuck received the Military Officers Association of America Distinguished Service Award in Washington, DC for his work with the troops. Over the many years of greeting flights Chuck met Presidents, Senators, and many dignitaries, but never lost sight that the most important people he greeted were our troops.

Chuck was preceded in death by his father, Charles Cove, his mother, Mary Cove, and his brother, Thomas Cove. He is survived by his wife Joan (Rowley, Woodhead) Cove; his four children, Lisa Woodhead, Jay (Barbara) Woodhead, Sally (Robert) Naumann, and Jennifer Cove; his brother Gerald (Barbara) Cove; his grandchildren Kristen (Jerry) Nance, Anthony (Vanessa) Humphreys, Nicholas (Carly) Humphreys, Tristan (Miranda) Woodhead, Christine (Joshua) Tuttle, Amanda Naumann, Margaret Mary (Maggie Mae) Cove; and three great-grandchildren Wren Parker, Sage Parker, and Abigail Humphreys; several nieces and nephews; and many dear friends.

**SERVICES:** Calling hours will be held on Thursday, January 16, from 4-8 p.m. in the Lucas & Eaton Funeral Home, 91 Long Sands Rd., York, Maine. A funeral Mass will be celebrated at 11 a.m., on Friday, January 17, in St. Christopher Church, 4 Barrell Lane, York, Maine.



# AGENDA for Regular Meeting January 14, 2020

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SOUTH BERWICK MEMORIAL POST 5744, VFW  
South Berwick, Maine (Mustered February 26, 1946)  
(Held at Mayo's Restaurant, in Berwick, ME.)

**Opening by:** Commander Jeffrey Chase, As per VFW Ritual.

**Pledge of Allegiance:**

**Roll Call of Officers:**

Post Commander – Jeffrey Chase  
Senior Vice Commander – Michael Murray  
Junior Vice Commander – Barry Kray  
Post Quartermaster – Roger Guptill

Post Adjutant -Brent Roets  
Post Chaplain – Bruce Brown  
Post Service Officer - Paul Lapierre  
Post Historian – Robert Place

**Opening Prayer:** Chaplain, Pastor Bruce Brown

**Adjourn for Dinner:** Commander Chase

**Resume Business Meeting:** Commander Chase

**Post Minutes:**

Vote to Approve Minutes of Regular Post Meeting held on 12-12-19.

**Post Quartermaster's Report:**

1. Post Quartermaster's Financial Report, for the Month Ending 12-31-19, and Post Vote to Accept Report, Subject to Audit.

**Post Service Officer's Report:** Paul Lapierre

**Sick Call:** Robert Eastman WW II is not doing to good, his son Peter Eastman called to tell me his dad had a massive heart attack on Sunday past they keep him in the hospital for three days and he wanted to go home to die they brought him home on the fourth day, his dad had a request for the VFW to make sure his remains was draped with the US flag before they remove him from his house, Tasker Funeral Home will take him to be cremated Intern in Spring with Military Honors. I have taken care of the Flag with Tasker. The call from Peter was Thursday night I have not talked to them since. Malcolm Kenney

## Agenda for Regular Meeting on 01-14-20 (CONTINUED)

### New Members Report: Michael Murray

Introduction of New Post Applicant(s), if any, & Vote to Accept Them into the Post.

### Post Membership Committee Report: Roger Guptill

Post Life Member and JVC Barry Kray was appointed, by Post Commander Jeffrey Chase, to the position of being a new member on the Committee. Barry has accepted the position.

We are only 5 members away from being 100% good job committee can we get 5 more We have another transfer of a life member Lewis (Lou) William Nau, AF retired coming from VFW Post 9934 Kittery, I am going to try to get him to the meeting, I have known him for years, one of his daughters is married to Chickie Rate from So. Berwick.

### Veterans Legislative Issues: Anthony Cincotta

#### Old Business:

1. Presentation, to Eligible Post Members, of Post Embroidered Ball Caps Not Yet Issued by Post Membership Committee:

Post Member

Freeman Lane

#### New Business:

1. We delivered 17 fruit baskets the week before Christmas to our WW II sick and confined, thanks to all who made this happen Malcolm Kenney, Mark Scheele, and Roger Guptill. Thanks to those who visited the Scarborough Veterans home where we delivered sweatpants and chocolate candy, Michael Murray, William Wengers, Malcolm Kenney and Sallyanne Kenney and Roger Guptill.

2. Further Discussions Regarding Planning Committees and Post Member Participation for Following Activities:

- (a) Anticipated Number of Eagle Scout Monetary Awards and Certificate Presentations for current Post Fiscal Year.

3. Annual Spaghetti Supper, in March do we want to do it. Malcolm has reserved March 28<sup>th</sup> with the Community Center **\$200.00 refundable deposit, Cost 2019 \$8.00, profit \$500.00 avg last 3 years plus \$130 50/50. if so we will need to think about** sign-up list (who will oversee list?), ticket cost who will prepare food Eileen?, **Signups** who will solicit desserts, Certificate of Insurance needed, who will do clean-up, who will head up the fund raiser, etc.



## Agenda for Regular Meeting on 01-14-20 (CONTINUED)

### 4. Other Business to Come Before the Post.

#### Crossing of the Bar:

Roy A. Goodale, Post Life Member, was reported deceased. Date reported to National was 9-10-19. He was living in Avon Park, FL. (winter address). Post records show his home address as Wells, ME.

#### Good of the Order:

1. Reminder about new shingles vaccine. DON'T FORGET, CHECK IT OUT.

2. Reminder about Flu vaccine.

3. As of January 1, 2020, and in accordance with the National Defense Authorization Act (NDAA) of Fiscal Year 2019, veterans with service-connected disabilities will be allowed access to the installation for commissary, exchange, and other facility privileges. This expanded benefit applies to veterans with a Department of Veterans Affairs (VA)-documented service-connected disability rating, Purple Heart recipients, former prisoners of war, and primary family caregivers for veterans enrolled in the VA's Program of Comprehensive Assistance for Family Caregivers. Veterans will need to enroll their Veteran Health Identification Card (VHIC) at the local Visitor Control Center (Pass and ID Office) for installation access. Veterans who are not eligible for a VHIC will need a letter from the Department of Veterans Affairs indicating eligibility for access. Upon verification of the letter by the Visitor Control Center, veterans will be required to enroll their Real ID driver's license in the Defense Biometric Identification System (DBIDS). Those who do not possess a Real ID will be issued a DBIDS credential.

Pass and ID Office hours for Veteran's enrollment will be Thursday and Friday 0600-1400 and on every Saturday in January from 0900-1200 and the first Saturday of each month after, for two months From Stephen Shea.

Next Regular Post Meeting: February 11, 2020

Closing Prayer: Chaplain Bruce Brown

Vote to Adjourn: Commander Jeffrey Chase

Post 50/50 Drawing: \$\_\_\_\_\_, Winner \_\_\_\_\_

Free Meal Drawing: \$10.00, Winner \_\_\_\_\_

## Agenda for Regular Meeting on 01-14-20 (CONTINUED)

### Dates to Remember:

- \*February 11- Regular meeting Patriot's Pen winner's family and guests 12 approx.
- \*January 26, 2020 - VFW District 11 Meeting, at York Post 6977, at 1400 Hrs.
- \*May 10, 2020 – VFW District 11 Meeting, at Old Orchard Post 7997, at 1400 Hrs.
- \*Post Honor Guard practices, 1<sup>st</sup> Monday of each month at 1800 hours, unless otherwise notified, by Honor Guard Captain.

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# Minutes of Regular Meeting on 1-14-20

SOUTH BERWICK MEMORIAL POST 5744, VFW

South Berwick, Maine (Mustered February 26, 1946)

## Minutes of Regular Meeting on January 14, 2020

(Held at Mayo's Restaurant, in Berwick, ME.)

21 Members present

Commander – Jeffrey Chase

Post Adjutant -Brent Roets

Senior Vice Commander – Michael Murray

Post Chaplain – Bruce Brown

Junior Vice Commander – Barry Kray

Post Service Officer – Paul Lapierre

Post Quartermaster – Roger Guptill

Post Historian – Robert Place

### Opening:

1800: Post Meeting called to order by Post Commander Jeffrey Chase, as per VFW Ritual.

We Rose for Pledge of Allegiance.

Opening Prayer by Chaplain, Pastor Bruce Brown.

1805: Adjourned for Dinner.

1837: Resumed Meeting.

### Post Minutes:

Upon motion duly made, by Malcolm Kenney, and seconded, by Bruce Brown, it was unanimously voted to accept the Minutes, of the Regular Meeting held on 12-10-19.

### Post Quartermaster's Report:

Post Quartermaster gave his Financial Reports, for the Months ending 12-31-19. Upon motion duly made, by William Wengers, and seconded, by Malcolm Kenney, it was unanimously voted to accept Quartermaster's financial reports, subject to audit.

Post Quartermaster, Roger Guptill, mentioned the following:

Two recipients of the Post scholarship as Emily Wood, daughter of Richard Wood, and Cassie Davis, granddaughter of Gary Collins.

We gave \$300 towards the building of a wheelchair ramp for a Marine Corp. Veteran Francis McCarthy, of Berwick, ME.

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### **Post Service Officer's Report:**

Member's conditions are as follows:

Tomas Joyce suffered a mini stroke while helping at the veteran's home.

Richard LaBonte is doing well.

Gary Collins was diagnosed with pancreatic cancer at Christmas and is at home right now. He came through his most recent surgery well. The doctors found cancer on his intestine, but they think they got it all.

Malcolm Kenney is working with Robert Eastman and his son Peter Eastman. Robert suffered a heart attack and is at home.

Hazen Currier and his wife are both feeling ill.

### **New Members Report:**

Post Quartermaster Roger Guptill brought up that we have a transfer of Life Member Lewis "Lou" Nau from Kittery Post 9394 and the transition of current Post 5744 member Stanley Sheldon to a Life Member to vote in.

Upon motion duly made, by Roger Guptill, and seconded, by Bruce Brown, it was unanimously voted by the Post Membership Committee members in attendance, Roger Guptill, Bruce Brown, Michael Murray and Barry Kray **made a recommendation to the Post** to accept Life Member Lewis "Lou" Nau from Kittery Post 9394 and the transition of current Post 5744 member Stanley Sheldon to a Life Member.

Upon motion duly made, by Post Commander Jeffrey Chase, and seconded, by Michael Bates, it was unanimously voted by the Post to accept Life Member Lewis "lou" Nau from Kittery Post 9394 and the transition of current Post 5744 member Stanley Sheldon to a Life Member.

### **Post Membership Committee Report:**

No further business to report.

### **Veteran's Legislative Issues**

Nothing to report currently.

### **Correspondence:**

If you are interested in being a Census Taker see Post Commander Jeffrey Chase for further information.

A letter of appreciation was received from Community Food Pantry in Somersworth thanking us for our donation to them.



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A letter of appreciation was received by the Rollinsford Policeman's Benevolent Association thanking us for our donation to them.

### **Old Business:**

There were no further presentations of Post Embroidered Ball Caps, by a Post Membership Committee Member, for the following eligible Post Members:

### **New Post Member**

Freeman Lane

The February meeting will have the Patriot's Pen winners and their families present. All members are encouraged to attend and show their support.

### **New Business:**

Over the holidays the Post delivered 17 fruit baskets to the Post WWII Veterans, Post members that are in nursing homes and house bound members. Baskets were delivered by Malcolm Kenney, Roger Guptill, Paul Lapierre, Marc Scheele.

Sweatpants and chocolates were delivered to the Scarborough Veterans Home. Malcolm Kenney and Sallyanne Kenney, William Weners, Michael Murray, Roger Guptill, Post Commander Jeffrey Chase, and Joe Zagrosky's wife, Debbie Zagrosky, attended.

Further discussions regarding Planning Committees and Post member participation for the following activities:

Anticipated number of Eagle Scout monetary awards and certificate presentations for current Post fiscal year. Further information is needed.

Discussion was held concerning the Post Annual Spaghetti Dinner. The dinner will be held at the South Berwick Community Center on March 28.

Discussion held on the fact that Post member Roy A. Godale, passed away in 2017 and the notices went straight to National and did not make it to the Post level until recently.

Discussion on the memorial service for Charles Cove. Our Post is set to perform the service on Thursday, January 16, 2020 at 1700. A Brief run through was held to ensure all members knew their positions and actions to take.

Upon motion duly made, by Malcolm Kenney, and seconded, by John Elwell, it was unanimously voted to donate \$100 to the Pease Greeters in memory of Charles Cove.

### **Good of the Order:**

Reminder to get your shingles and flu vaccine

## **Minutes of Regular Meeting on 1-14-20**

Discussion was held on Veterans with a 0% - 100% disability rating gaining access to base for commissary and other privileges now extended to them as of January 1, 2020.

Advice by Malcolm Kenney on having preparations and paperwork set aside for relatives in the event of your death.

### **Next Post Meeting:**

Next Regular Post meeting is scheduled for February 11, 2020.

### **Dates to Remember:**

February 11, 2020 – Patriot's Pen Winners joining us for dinner and presentations

March 15, 2020 – VFW District 11 Meeting, at York Post 6977, at 1400 Hrs.

May 10, 2020 – VFW District 11 Meeting, at Old Orchard Post 7997, at 1400 Hrs.

### **Closing Prayer:**

Closing Prayer given by Chaplain, Pastor Bruce Brown.

### **Vote to Adjourn:**

Upon motion duly made, by Post Commander Jeffrey Chase, and seconded by, Michael Bates, it was unanimously voted to adjourn the meeting at 1934.

**Post 50/50 Drawing: \$29.00, Winner: Don Beaupre**

**Free Meal Drawing: \$10.00, Winner: Roger Guptill (Donated back to Post)**

Stanley Sheldon receiving VFW Ball Cap from Post Commander Roger Guptill for becoming a Life time member.

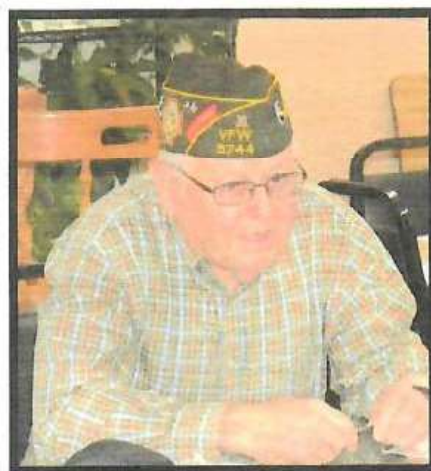




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At this table is (L-r) Post Adjutant Brent Roets with his son Eris Roets.



Post Commander Roger Guptill at this table.



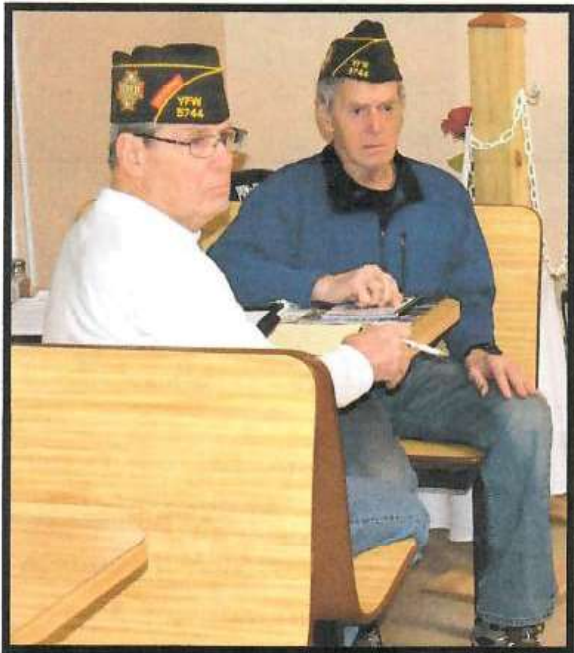
At this table is (L-r) WW II Kenneth Goodwin, Past Commander John Elwell, Past Commander William Widders and Michael Bates.

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At this round table is (L-r) Passed Quartermaster Malcolm Kenney, Donald Beaupre, John Dennett, Glendon Johnson and Marc Scheele.



At this table is (L-r) honor guard leader Dennis Ouellette and Stanley Sheldon.



At this table is (L-r) Sr Vice Commander Michael Murray, Stephen Shea, Jr Vice Commander Barry Kray and POW Raymond Brunelle.





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In this photo are (L-r)  
Post Chaplain Bruce  
Brown and Richard  
Cordier.

Post Commander Jeffrey Chase.



# AGENDA for Regular Meeting February 11, 2020

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SOUTH BERWICK MEMORIAL POST 5744, VFW

South Berwick, Maine (Mustered February 26, 1946)

(Held at Mayo's Restaurant, in Berwick, ME.)

Opening by: Commander Jeffrey Chase, As per VFW Ritual.

Pledge of Allegiance:

Roll Call of Officers:

Post Commander – Jeffrey Chase

Post Adjutant -Brent Roets

Senior Vice Commander – Michael Murray

Post Chaplain – Bruce Brown

Junior Vice Commander – Barry Kray

Post Service Officer - Paul Lapierre

Post Quartermaster – Roger Guptill

Post Historian – Robert Place

Opening Prayer: Chaplain, Pastor Bruce Brown

Adjourn for Dinner: Commander Jeffrey Chase Introduce Patriot Pen

Resume Business Meeting: Commander Jeffrey Chase

Patriots Pen presentations to winners and essays (Malcolm Kenney)

Post Minutes:

Vote to Approve Minutes of Regular Post Meeting held on 01-14-20.

Post Quartermaster's Report:

1. Post Quartermaster's Financial Report, for the Month Ending 01-31-20, and Post Vote to Accept Report, Subject to Audit.

Post Service Officer's Report: Paul Lapierre

Sick Call:

New Members Report: Michael Murray

Introduction of New Post Applicant(s), if any, & Vote to Accept Them into the Post.



## Agenda for Regular Meeting on 02-11-20 (CONTINUED)

Post Membership Committee Report: Roger Guptill

Veterans Legislative Issues: Anthony Cincotta

### Old Business:

1. Presentation, to Eligible Post Members, of Post Embroidered Ball Caps Not Yet Issued by Post Membership Committee:

Post Member

Freeman Lane

### New Business:

1. Ways and means raffle for VFW National Convention
2. Annual Spaghetti Supper. Mal has reserved March 28<sup>th</sup> with the Community Center **Signups** who will solicit desserts, Certificate of Insurance needed, who will do clean-up, who will head up fund raiser, etc.
3. Other Business to Come Before the Post.

### Crossing of the Bar:

#### Good of the Order:

1. Reminder about new shingles vaccine. DON'T FORGET, CHECK IT OUT.
2. Reminder about Flu vaccine.

Next Regular Post Meeting: February 11, 2020

Closing Prayer: Chaplain Bruce Brown

Vote to Adjourn: Commander Jeffrey Chase

Post 50/50 Drawing: \$\_\_\_\_\_, Winner \_\_\_\_\_

Free Meal Drawing: \$10.00, Winner \_\_\_\_\_

## Agenda for Regular Meeting on 02-11-20 (CONTINUED)

### Dates to Remember:

- \*Mar 15, 2020 - VFW District 11 Meeting, at York Post 6977, at 1400 Hrs.
- \*May 10, 2020 – VFW District 11 Meeting, at Old Orchard Post 7997, at 1400 Hrs.
- \*Post Honor Guard practices, 1<sup>st</sup> Monday of each month at 1800 hours, unless otherwise notified, by Honor Guard Captain.

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# Minutes of Regular Meeting on 2-11-20

SOUTH BERWICK MEMORIAL POST 5744, VFW  
South Berwick, Maine (Mustered February 26, 1946)

## Minutes of Regular Meeting on February 11, 2020

(Held at Mayo's Restaurant, in Berwick, ME.)

19 Members present

Commander – Jeffrey Chase

Senior Vice Commander – Michael Murray

Junior Vice Commander – Barry Kray

Post Quartermaster – Roger Guptill

Post Adjutant -Brent Roets

Post Chaplain – Bruce Brown

Post Service Officer – Paul Lapierre

Post Historian – Robert Place

### Opening:

1800: Post Meeting called to order by Post Commander Jeffrey Chase, as per VFW Ritual.

We Rose for Pledge of Allegiance.

Opening Prayer by Chaplain, Pastor Bruce Brown.

1805: Adjourned for Dinner.

1845: Resumed business and Patriot Pen Presentations

### Patriot Pen Presentations:

The Post invited the Patriots Pen Essay Award winners and their families to dinner and the follow along awards ceremony. The winners were their awards are as follows:

Josie A. D'Angelo 1st Place \$100

Silja A Pope 2nd \$50

Rowan Nabel 2nd \$50

Luke Nelson 3rd \$50

1902: Concluded Patriot Pen Presentations

1904: Commenced regular meeting after guest departure.

### Post Minutes:

1. Upon motion duly made, by William Wenners, and seconded, by Michael Murray, it was unanimously voted to accept the Minutes, of the Regular Meeting held on 1-14-20.

## Minutes of Regular Meeting on 2-11-20 (Cont'd)

### Post Quartermaster's Report:

1. Post Quartermaster gave his Financial Reports, for the Months ending 1-31-20. Upon motion duly made, by Aldo Clavette, and seconded, by Barry Kray, it was unanimously voted to accept Quartermaster's financial reports, subject to audit.

### Post Service Officer's Report:

1. Member's conditions are as follows:
  - a. Gary Collins is doing well after his most recent cancer surgery.
  - b. Robert Eastman is doing well after his heart attack and at home.
  - c. Hazen Currier and his wife are both feeling better after being ill.
  - d. Kenneth Goodwin is at home doing well.
  - e. Joseph Gagnon's wife is doing well and at home.
  - f. Richard LaBonte is doing well and at home.
- g. Anthony Cincotta's brother, Brian Cincotta, passed away after his stroke. Visiting hours were on Wednesday, February 19, 2020 from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m., and 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m., with an American Legion Service at 7:00 p.m. at Laing-Bibber Funeral Chapel. A Memorial Mass was held on Thursday, February 20, 2020 at 11:00 a.m. at Our Lady of the Angels Church. Burial with military honors will be in the spring in Evergreen Cemetery, Cemetery Road, in Berwick. Should friends choose memorial donations in his name, are encouraged to the charity of one's choice.
2. Post Commander Jeffrey Chase and Malcolm Kenney brought up the discussion of visiting the home bound members of the Post either at their home or their facility. If any member is interested in visiting a home/facility bound member of our Post contact Post Commander Jeffrey Chase or Malcolm Kenney.

### New Members Report:

No new members to report.

### Post Membership Committee Report:

1. No further business to report.

### Veteran's Legislative Issues:

1. No further business to report.

### Correspondence:

1. A letter of appreciation was received from Emily Wood for her Post Scholarship.
2. A letter of appreciation was received from Dwayne Amee and Maria Amee for their fruit basket.
3. A letter of appreciation was received from Michael St. Pierre for his fruit basket.



## Minutes of Regular Meeting on 2-11-20 (Cont'd)

4. A letter of appreciation was received from the Pease Greeters for the donation in memory of our recently passed brother Charles Cove.
5. A letter of appreciation was received from North Berwick Christmas Project for our donation.
6. A letter of appreciation and certificate was received from Maine Veterans home for our donation.
7. A letter of appreciation was received from Cassie Davis for her Post Scholarship.

### Old Business:

1. There were no further presentations of Post Embroidered Ball Caps, by a Post Membership Committee Member, for the following eligible Post Members:

#### New Post Member

Freeman Lane

### New Business:

1. Informational announcement was made for the upcoming Ways and Means raffle for the VFW National Convention.
2. Discussion was had about upgrading our Post sound system.
  - a. Upon motion duly made, by Malcom Kenney, and seconded, by Thomas Joyce, and amended, by Dennis Ouellette, it was unanimously voted to have Post Commander Jeffrey Chase perform the research and investigation into a new indoor/outdoor PA system for the Post to purchase.
3. Discussion was held concerning the Post Annual Spaghetti Dinner. The dinner will be held at the South Berwick Community Center on March 28. Volunteers are being asked to support our annual event. See Paul Lapierre to sign up to help or to bring a dessert. Malcolm Kenney has presale tickets for those interested.
4. Discussion was had about having guest speakers at our meetings.
5. Thomas Joyce thanked the Post for his fruit basket.
6. Malcolm Kenney thanked the Post and all those involved for the service for Charles Cove.
7. Roger Gupstill thanked Malcolm Kenney and Barry Kray for being Honorary Pall Bearers at the service for Charles Cove.

### Good of the Order:

1. Reminder to get your shingles and flu vaccine
2. Information was passed on the Roving VFW Monument and that they are short on funds, but it might work out.

## Minutes of Regular Meeting on 2-11-20 (Cont'd)

### Next Post Meeting:

1. Next Regular Post meeting is scheduled for March 10, 2020.

### Dates to Remember:

1. March 15, 2020 – VFW District 11 Meeting, at York Post 6977, at 1400 Hrs.
2. May 10, 2020 – VFW District 11 Meeting, at Old Orchard Post 7997, at 1400 Hrs.
3. Post Honor Guard Practices are the 1st Monday of each month at 1800 unless otherwise notified by the Honor Guard Captain.

### Closing Prayer:

1. Closing Prayer given by Chaplain, Pastor Bruce Brown.

### Vote to Adjourn:

1. Upon motion duly made, by Post Commander Jeffrey Chase, and seconded by, Barry Kray, it was unanimously voted to adjourn the meeting at 1937.

**Post 50/50 Drawing: \$33.00, Winner: Malcolm Kenney**

**Free Meal Drawing: \$10.00, Winner: Barry Kray**

The award for Patriots Pen Winners and families are as follows.

In this photo is (L-r) Luke Nelson 3<sup>rd</sup> place winner and Nicole Nelson.



In this photo is (L-r) Dan Pope and Silja A Pope 2<sup>nd</sup> place winner.



## Minutes of Regular Meeting on 2-11-20 (Cont'd)

In this photo is (L-r) Julie D'Angelo, Josie A D'Angelo 1<sup>st</sup> Place winner and David D'Angelo.



In this photo is (L-r) Patrick Parks and Judith Parks.

In this photo is (L-r) one of the judges Zelda Kenney, another judge, Elaine H Stevens and Ralph Stevens.



## Minutes of Regular Meeting on 2-11-20 (Cont'd)



In this phot is (L-r) Sarah Nabel, 2<sup>nd</sup> place winner Rowan Nabel and Luke Nabel.

In this photo is (L-r) the 3<sup>rd</sup> place winner Luke Nelson presenting the certificate and check for \$50 is Post Commander Jeffrey Chase.



In this photo is (L-r) the 2<sup>nd</sup> place winner Rowan Nabel presenting the certificate and check for \$50 is Post Commander Jeffrey Chase.



## Minutes of Regular Meeting on 2-11-20 (Cont'd)

In this photo is (L-r) the 2<sup>nd</sup> place winner Silja Pope presenting the certificate and check for \$50 is Post Commander Jeffrey Chase.



In this photo is (L-r) the 1<sup>st</sup> place winner Josie D'Angelo presenting the certificate and check for \$100 is Post Commander Jeffrey Chase.

In this photo are (L-r) Silja Pope, Josie D'Angelo, Luke Nelson, Rowan Nabel and Post Commander Jeffrey Chase.



## Minutes of Regular Meeting on 2-11-20 (Cont'd)



At this table are (L-r)  
Aldeo Clavette and  
Pastor Bruce Brown.

At this table are (L-r) Jr Vice  
Commander Barry Kray, John  
Dennett and Marc Scheele.



In this photo are (L-r) Thomas Joyce, Past Commander John Elwell, Service Commander Michael Murray, Service Officer Paul Lapierre, POW Raymond Brunelle, Past Commander Charles Hansen and Past Commander William Weners.



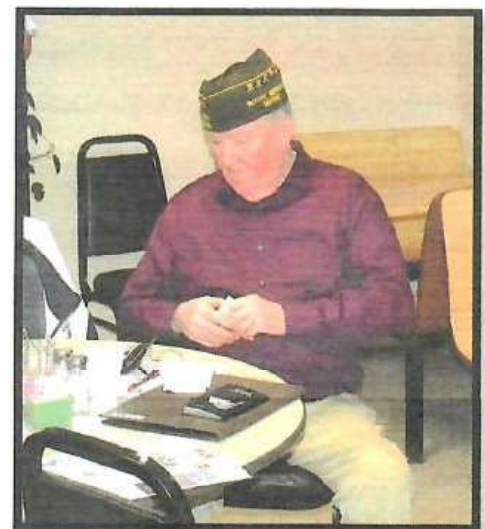
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At this table is (L-r), Stanley Sheldon and Dennis Ouellette members of the Honor Guard.



At this table is Post Quartermaster Roger Guphill.

At this table is Past Quartermaster Malcolm Kenney.



# **AGENDA for Regular Meeting March 10, 2020**

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SOUTH BERWICK MEMORIAL POST 5744, VFW  
South Berwick, Maine (Mustered February 26, 1946)  
(Held at Mayo's Restaurant, in Berwick, ME.)

**Opening by:** Commander Jeffrey Chase, As per VFW Ritual.

**Pledge of Allegiance:**

**Roll Call of Officers:**

Post Commander – Jeffrey Chase  
Senior Vice Commander – Michael Murray  
Junior Vice Commander – Barry Kray  
Post Quartermaster – Roger Guptill

Post Adjutant -Brent Roets  
Post Chaplain – Bruce Brown  
Post Service Officer - Paul Lapierre  
Post Historian – Robert Place

**Opening Prayer:** Chaplain, Pastor Bruce Brown

**Adjourn for Dinner:** Commander Jeffrey Chase

**Resume Business Meeting:** Commander Jeffrey Chase

**Post Minutes:** Vote to Approve Minutes of Regular Post Meeting held on 02-11-20.

**Post Quartermaster's Report:**

1. Post Quartermaster's Financial Report, for the Month Ending 02-29-20, and Post Vote to Accept Report, Subject to Audit.

**Post Service Officer's Report:** Paul Lapierre

**New Members Report:** Michael Murray

Introduction of New Post Applicant(s), if any, & Vote to Accept Them into the Post.

**Post Membership Committee Report:** Roger Guptill

**Veterans Legislative Issues:** Anthony Cincotta

**Correspondance:**



## Agenda for Regular Meeting on 03-10-20 (CONTINUED)

### Old Business:

1. Presentation, to Eligible Post Members, of Post Embroidered Ball Caps Not Yet Issued by Post Membership Committee:

#### Post Member

Freeman Lane

2. Upgrading Post sound system
3. Post Visiting Members signup
4. Annual Spaghetti Supper. Malcolm has reserved March 28<sup>th</sup> with the Community Center **Signups** contact Paul Lapierre

### New Business:

1. Open Nominations of Post Officers and Officials, for Post's Fiscal Year 7-1-20 thru 6-30-21.
2. 1. Vote to elect Post Delegates/Alternates for the 2020 Dept. Maine, DISTRICT 11, VFW Convention. (1 delegate and 1 alternate for each 30 members as of March 31)
3. Vote to elect Post Delegates/Alternates for the 2020 DEPARTMENT OF MAINE, VFW STATE Convention. (1 delegate and 1 alternate for each 30 members as of March 31)
4. Other Business to Come Before the Post.

### Crossing of the Bar:

#### Good of the Order:

1. Reminder about new shingles vaccine. DON'T FORGET, CHECK IT OUT.
2. Reminder about Flu vaccine.

Next Regular Post Meeting: April 14th, 2020

Closing Prayer: Chaplain Bruce Brown

Vote to Adjourn: Commander Jeffrey Chase

## Agenda for Regular Meeting on 03-10-20 (CONTINUED)

Post 50/50 Drawing: \$\_\_\_\_\_, Winner \_\_\_\_\_

Free Meal Drawing: \$10.00, Winner \_\_\_\_\_

### Dates to Remember:

- \*Mar 15, 2020 - VFW District 11 Meeting, at York Post 6977, at 1400 Hrs.
- \*March 28, 2020 Spaghetti feed 4-6 PM South Berwick Senior Center, presale tickets available contact Malcolm Kenney
- \*May 10, 2020 – VFW District 11 Meeting, at Old Orchard Post 7997, at 1400 Hrs.
- \*Post 5744/79 Joint Honor Guard practices, 1<sup>st</sup> Monday of each month at 1830 hours, unless otherwise notified, by Honor Guard Captain.

Ref: Documents/VFW 5744 Post Agenda 03-10-20

(Last revised 03-08-20)





# Minutes of March Meeting on 3-10-20

SOUTH BERWICK MEMORIAL POST 5744, VFW  
South Berwick, Maine (Mustered February 26, 1946)

## Minutes of Regular Meeting on March 10, 2020

(Held at Mayo's Restaurant, in Berwick, ME.)

22 Members present

Commander – Jeffrey Chase

Senior Vice Commander – Michael Murray

Junior Vice Commander – Barry Kray

Post Quartermaster – Roger Guptill

Post Adjutant -Brent Roets

Post Chaplain – Bruce Brown

Post Service Officer – Paul Lapierre

Post Historian – Robert Place

**\*\*At the time of this transcription all VFW activities to include District and National schedules have been suspended due to the Covid-19 outbreak. Any future activities mentioned below are only brought up as a part of the record of the meeting.**

### Opening:

1800: Post Meeting called to order by Post Commander Jeffrey Chase, as per VFW Ritual.

Roll Call of Officers: Michael Murray and Barry Kray are not in attendance due to recent travel and being sick.

We Rose for Pledge of Allegiance.

Opening Prayer by Chaplain, Pastor Bruce Brown.

1805: Adjourned for Dinner.

1840: Resumed business and Patriot Pen Presentations

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### Post Minutes:

2. Upon motion duly made, by Malcolm Kenney, and seconded, by William Wenners, it was unanimously voted to accept the Minutes, of the Regular Meeting held on 2-11-20.

### Post Quartermaster's Report:

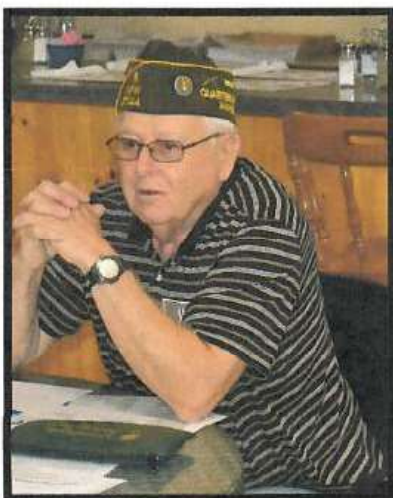
2. Upon motion duly made, by Anthony Cincotta, and seconded, by Hazen Currier, it was unanimously voted to accept the action and reimburse the Post Quartermaster \$47.00 for the purchase of hanging file folders for the donated 27 inch heavy-duty 4 drawer filing cabinet.
3. Post Quartermaster gave his Financial Reports, for the Months ending 2-29-20. Upon motion duly made, by Anthony Cincotta, and seconded, by Thomas Joyce, it was unanimously voted to accept Quartermaster's financial reports, subject to audit.
4. Post Commander Jeffry Chase discussed leaving the money that was made from the sale of the vans in the bank due market volatility and when the market settles down will bring up options of what to do with it.

### Post Service Officer's Report:

3. Member's conditions are as follows:
  - a. Joel Hilton is doing good and out and around.
  - b. Thomas Joyce thanked the Post for his fruit basket.

### New Members Report:

1. No new members to report.



### Post Membership Committee Report:

2. It was brought up as a reminder by the Post Quartermaster that the Post will cover \$100.00 of the cost for a new Life Member and that the VFW Store will give \$50.00 towards the cost of merchandise on the store. The offer from the VFW Store is good through June but must be redeemed by July 31, 2020.



## Minutes of March Meeting on 3-10-20

### Veteran's Legislative Issues

#### 2. Report as made by Anthony Cincotta:

- a. He thanked Post members for attending his brothers memorial service. It was appreciated by him and family members.
- b. Ensure you are prepared for the inevitable. A handout was distributed titled, *Checklist for Deceased Military Retiree*. For a copy of this checklist contact Anthony Cincotta.
- c. Discussion was had concerning the Mission Act and visits to Urgent Care. You are authorized to go three times a year without any cost to participating Urgent Care Centers and they are authorized to give up to a 14-day prescription. You will need to show them your VA health card for any of this.
- d. Discussion was had about the Blue Water Navy Act and the acceptance of the Blue Water Navy for Agent Orange benefits during the Vietnam War. This went into effect January 1, 2020.
- e. Retired military can go to Pease Air Force Base and see the JAG for will preparation.
- f. Recommendation for Living Will and a Power of Attorney for those needing them.



#### 3. Malcolm Kenney reported that in mid-April at 1800 at The American Legion Post 47 in Rollinsford, NH there will be a brief on Community Care.

### Correspondence:

8. A letter of appreciation was received from Josie A. D'Angelo, Patriots Pen 1st Place \$100.00 winner.
9. A letter of appreciation was received from Charles Cove's family (Jean, Lisa, Jay, Sally, Jennifer) for our donation to the Pease Greeters on his behalf.
10. A second letter of appreciation was received from Charles Cove's family.

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### Old Business:

2. There were no further presentations of Post Embroidered Ball Caps, by a Post Membership Committee Member, for the following eligible Post Members:  
New Post Member  
Freeman Lane
3. Upon motion duly made, by Anthony Cincotta, and seconded, by William Wenners, it was unanimously voted for Post Commander Jeffrey Chase to purchase a Post sound system (with a second microphone), not to exceed \$1500.00.
4. There will be a Post Visiting Members signup contact Post Commander Jeffery Chase.
5. The Annual Spaghetti Supper will be March 28,2020 at the South Berwick Community Center. Volunteer and dessert sign up see Paul Lapierre.

### New Business:

8. Discussion was had about how to conduct school Loyalty Days. Schools would be Rollinsford Grade School, South Berwick Schools, Lebanon Schools, Berwick Schools, and North Berwick Schools. Dates TBD.
9. Thomas Joyce thanked the Post for his fruit basket.
10. Upon motion duly made, by Hazen Currier, and seconded, by Charles "Hank" Hansen, it was brought to the floor to donate \$200.00 to the Marshwood High School Band and then amended by Hazen Currier, and seconded, by John Elwell, to increase this amount to \$400.00. It was unanimously voted for the Post to donate \$400.00 to the Marshwood High School Band.
11. Upon motion duly made, by Anthony Cincotta, and seconded, by Michael Bates, it was unanimously voted to elect the Post Delegates/Alternates for the 2020 Department of Maine, District 11 VFW Convention and the 2020 Department of Maine, VFW State Convention in accordance with Attachment 1, 2020 Maine District 11 Delegates, and Attachment 2, 2020 Department Maine Convention Delegates to be effective 14 April 2020.
12. Upon motion duly made, by Malcolm Kenney, and seconded, by Anthony Cincotta, it was unanimously voted to add Post Commander Jeffrey Chase to the roster for the VFW National Convention to include a \$25.00 delegate donation.
13. Up on motion duly made, by Anthony Cincotta, and seconded, by Malcolm Kenney, it was unanimously voted to nominate the current slate of Post Officers and Officials for the Post's fiscal year 7-1-20 thru 6-30-21. However, nominations remain open until 14 April 2020.



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### Good of the Order:

3. Reminder to get your shingles and flu vaccine
4. Be aware that due to the Covid-19 outbreak that there are special protocols to gain admittance to VA medical facilities.

### Next Post Meeting:

2. Next Regular Post meeting is scheduled for April 14, 2020.

### Dates to Remember:

**\*\*As a reminder all VFW functions are on hold due to the Covid-19 Pandemic.**

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5. March 28, 2020 – Annual Spaghetti Dinner
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7. Post Honor Guard Practices are the 1st Monday of each month at 1800 unless otherwise notified by the Honor Guard Captain.

### Closing Prayer:

2. Closing Prayer given by Chaplain, Pastor Bruce Brown.

### Vote to Adjourn:

2. Upon motion duly made, by Post Commander Jeffrey Chase, and seconded by, Anthony Cincotta, it was unanimously voted to adjourn the meeting at 1933.

**Post 50/50 Drawing: \$35.00, Winner: Ronald Vigue (donated back to Post)**

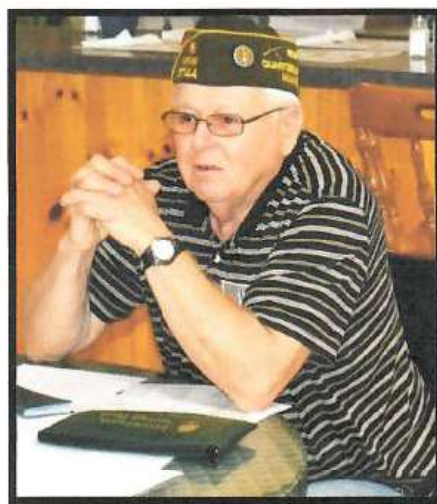
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Post Quartermaster Roger Guptill and Past Commander John Elwell.

Post Quartermaster Roger Guptill



In this photo are(L-r) Thomas Joyce, Past Commander John Elwell, Ronald Vigue, Anthony Cincotta, Post Service Officer Paul Lapierre, POW Raymond Brunelle, Michael Bates and Past Commander William Weners.



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In this photo is(L-r) Post Quartermaster Brent Roets and Eris Roets.

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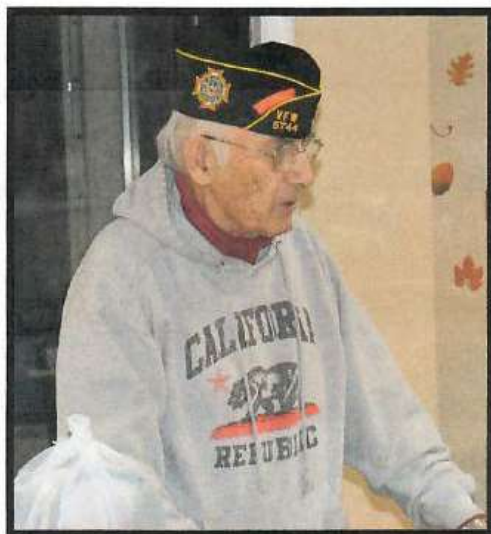


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Post Commander Jeffrey Chase



In this photo is Anthony Cincotta



# **BRIGADIER GENERAL CAROLYN J. PROTZMANN**

## **Obituary**

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### **Assistant Adjutant General - Air, New Hampshire National Guard**

Brigadier General Carolyn Protzmann is Assistant Adjutant General - Air, New Hampshire National Guard. She also serves Commander, New Hampshire Air National Guard. General Protzmann is responsible for the command, control and operations of plans and programs of over 1000 New Hampshire Air National Guard personnel located at Pease Air National Guard Base, New Hampshire. She is responsible to the Adjutant General for the combat and operational readiness of the New

Hampshire Air National Guard and the ability of the 157th Air Refueling Wing to perform its federal and state mission. In addition, she is appointed as a dual-status commander, which authorizes control of active-duty troops as well as National Guard troops during state emergencies.

General Protzmann joined the United States Air Force in 1978, receiving her commission through Officer Training School in February 1979. She served as an Aircraft Maintenance Officer for two years, working with both transport and fighter aircraft and was a Wing Plans Officer for a tactical fighter wing in the Air Force at Royal Air Force Bentwaters, England for three years. General Protzmann has been a member of the New Hampshire Air National Guard since 1984



## Robert D. Eastman Obituary

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SOUTH BERWICK, Maine - Robert D. Eastman, 96, passed away Thursday, March 26, 2020, after a brief illness.

He was born August 3, 1923, the son of Fred Eastman and Mary Belle Eastman of Exeter, N.H. He served in the Hell Cat Division and 12th Armory Division during [World War II](#). After the war, he went to work at the Portsmouth Naval Shipyard, retiring after 30+ years. He married Harriet J. Villars and together they had six children. Harriet passed away October 28, 2015.

Survivors include sons Robert (Gini) of Colorado Springs, Colo., Peter (Carole) of South Berwick, Maine, daughter Linda of South Berwick, Maine and son John of Derry, N.H. He also leaves behind eight grandchildren and 15 great grandchildren. Besides his wife, he was predeceased by son Michael Eastman and daughter Kathaleen Eastman.

He was a Life Member of VFW Post 5744 South Berwick, ME.

Robert served in the US Army from 25 Feb 1943 to 20 November 1945, he was a tank crewman assigned to Co C 43d Tk BN.

### Battles and Campaigns:

Normandy Northern France GO 33 WD 1945

Rhineland Central Europe GO 40 WD 1945

### Decorations and Citations:

Victory Medal- American Theater Ribbon- Purple Heart- Good Conduct Medal-

EAME Theater Ribbon- Marksmanship Badge- Lapel Button and Emblem

Robert was a WW II historian in his own way he had a library of history of WW II he was very proud of he could talk about every battle, his hero was Gen George S. Patton. Robert will now join his Wife also WW II who passed in the last three years.

There is no service planned, there will be interment at Woodlawn Cemetery at a date to be announced with full military honors. He will be Cremated.

Malcolm Kenney

VFW Post 5744

South Berwick, ME



## Update from VFW Commander

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Good Afternoon EXBOD,

Comrades we are in uncharted waters, I hope you and your families are well while being sheltered in place. We still need to continue with Post business as best we can. We are trying to do it as efficiently and safely as possible. The proposed meeting will be in lieu of our regular **April meeting**, at a minimum we need to **Elect 2020-2021 Officers and approve a 2020-2021 budget**.

Attached is the draft for the **14 April 1200 ExBod teleconference meeting** as well as budget models and proposals (thanks to Roger's hard work and the budget committee it has been vetted and recommended for Post approval). **If the time and date is not good for the participants let me know ASAP. If anyone has any issues or other items that we need to discuss, please reply to all.**

This board was **outstanding** last year particularly during the Van purchase and sales over the summer and I am fully confident and trust we will continue to make the decisions that are in the best interest of the Post during this COVID-19 crisis.

We used a **teleconference** for the budget meeting last week and it worked well. However, we can only have **5 on a call which is enough for a quorum vote IAW our bylaws**. If you have any **issues with the Board voting like this let me know ASAP, but any discussion on items is open as usual and encouraged by all members**.

**Brent**, no worries, Roger will record the meeting and get it to you for the minutes.

**Roger**, if I have missed any attachments that will be beneficial to the board please send them out or let me know and I will get them out.

I look forward to your input and continued support throughout the next year.

Respectfully,  
In Comradeship,  
Jeffrey Chase  
Commander



## **SOUTH BERWICK MEMORIAL POST 5744, VFW**

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P.O. BOX 58, NORTH BERWICK, MAINE 03906

March 21, 2020 Marshwood Marching Band

C/O Director David Graichen

260 Dow Highway

South Berwick, Maine 03908

Mr. Graichen, On behalf of VFW Post 5744, please accept the enclosed donation as a sincere thank you for your Marching Band Programs continued unwavering support of our Post during the South Berwick Memorial Day Parade and Service. We would not be able to properly honor our Veteran's during Community Activities like this without the unselfish generous donation of your student's time and effort. We hope this donation will enrich your program and we look forward to your continued support and participation in our Post's Community Activities.

We wish you the best, in the future, for you and your student's in the MHS Marching Band Program.

Sincerely,

Jeffrey Chase

Commander

VFW Post 5744

207-676-8569



## Teleconference meeting.

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Good Evening EXBOD, here is the updated Agenda and info for our **4/14/20 (Noon) teleconference meeting.**

Today, Dawn was able to get a total of 6 on a conference call test. Again, the teleconference call on **Tuesday 14 April at 1200 (noon) will only include Officer's Michael Murray, Barry Kray, Roger Guptill, John Elwell and Malcolm Kenney (quorum)** so that we can record votes for the updated attached Agenda and discuss any other Post business items. Any concerns or questions, please let me know.

I also received a call from our D11 Commander Bill Day later this week checking on our Post. I hope you are all well and staying safe.

Thanks, Jeff

Sent 4/4/20

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## Teleconference meeting (Cont'd)

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Jeffrey Chase  
Commander

Jeff,

As scanned documents please find 4 attachments (Income Budget- 1 page, Expenditures Budget- 2 pages, and Info Sheet for the Expenditures Budget- 1 page), for your EX-BOD meeting on 4-14-20. Sorry about the size of the 2 pages of expenditure budget. I still am having a problem trying to resolve the issue, with my "computer guy". Any questions relating to these 4 printouts, please let me know.

### **8 Attachments**