**Minutes December 14, 2023 Board Meeting**

**Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order by Dave Hefler at 3:05 pm in the Majorca Room. In attendance were Bob Bechill, Greg Coffey, Robert Smith, Pat Battles, Larry Soukup, Dave Hefler, Jack Shabel, Bob St. Laurent, and Jim McDonough. Not in attendance was Sandee Lang.

**Secretary Report:**  November Minutes were discussed and a motion to approve was made by Greg Coffey, seconded by Bob St. Laurent. Motion passed.

**Treasurer Report:** Robert Smith presented the report. Opening Balance $1544.36, Total deposits $7406.00, Total expenses 7733.93, Ending balance 1216.43. Membership stand at 218. Five members dues waived due to WW2 status.

**Holiday Party Discussion:** All agreed that the party was a big success. Our guest marines seemed to have a great time. There seemed to be that there was too much stress on the planners. We need to advertise much sooner next year. A cancellation policy was discussed but no definitive policy was adopted. It was noted that we need to establish a date for no refunds.

**Budget for 2024:** The budget will be proposed at the January 2024 meeting.

**By-law changes 2024:** Secretary Jack Shabel will present proposed changes at the next board meeting.

**January Speaker and set-up requirements:** Larry Soukup has made all arrangements, and we are in good shape for the January speaker Robert Genet.

**Do Dues Day – January 13, 2024:** Coverage for manning our location is scheduled and we are in good shape.

**Flag Sales:** Bob St. Laurent reported that flag sales have been steady and there are no issues.

**Bugle:** Jim McDonough reported that the Bugle is ready for the printer and distribution.

**New Business:** It has been decided that we will have a half page ad in the 40th Anniversary OHCC Book by way of a motion by Greg Coffey, seconded by Larry Soukup. Motion passed. Jim McDonough will coordinate the pictures and layout of the ad.

It was discussed about forming a phone tree to contact people that do not have emails about club events happening. No conclusion was reached.

It was mentioned that we need a new Sunshine person.

**Adjournment:** Motion to adjourn by Bob Bechill, seconded by Pat Battles. Meeting adjourned at 4:00pm

Submitted by Jack Shabel