VETERANS COUNCIL OF CHATHAM COUNTY INC.

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SAVANNAH, GA 31416

Joe Higgins, Chairman

(THE VOICE OF 28 VETERANS ORGANIZATIONS)

<u>Minutes of the 9 September 2024 VCofCC meeting.</u>

- The meeting was called to order at 1900 hours by Chairman Joe Higgins at American Legion Post 184. The meeting was recorded live on Facebook.

- Lou Buckner- gave the opening invocation.

- The National Anthem was played, and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited. The POW/MIA flag was posted by Sr. Vice Vejar

<u>Roll Call-</u> By Sr. Vice Vejar

<u>Committee Reports;</u>
Treasure- start-$12,476.11   End-$ 11,675.70

<u>Sickness & Distress</u>: James Putney- Car Accident, Walt Harper- Sams, Christian Mauiment- Deceased, Tristan Manigault- Deceased, Jimmy Ray- Still Recovering Chemo.

Sr Vice- Vejar- This Saturday at 12 pm- top 7 organizations from the August Meeting plus 3 alt. to go from 5 nominations to get to 2 for All units to Vote in the October Meeting.
Jr Vice- Noel- Veterans Carrier partnering Car Show fundraiser, This Saturday from 8-12, Please come out to set up a tent to show off your units, Auction starts at 12 pm. HALF of the proceeds from the Auction come back to the council.
Jr Vice- Brady- Polo shirts, bands, Savannah area transit to bring in Savannah State Band, hopefully 3 bands from Statesboro, and checking with some more area bands.
Parade Adj-McGrath- we need as many Ads as possible.
Applications to each of the units to be a part of the parade are due no later than **October 1st, 2024** Adj Staff pic will be Staff Pic will be Monday October 7th between 5:30/6 pm. (WHITE SHIRT & KHAKI PANTS)

<u>Old Business:</u>
*Recognized 2023-2024 Veteran of the Year: Tim Ansley
VOY Saturday the 14th doors open at 11:30am, meeting starts at 12pm at Post 184.

Doors lock at 12:15, if the primary is not there Alternate will take place.

1. AL 135
2. 40 & 8
3. Catholic War Vets
4. Chatham Artillery
5. Vietnam Veterans

6. AL 184
7. 8th Historical Society
   Atl. 1. Dog. Co 564
   Atl. 2. AL 500
   Alt. 3. VFW. 660

Car Show: Sept 14th in Pembroke- We need Donations please have them turned in by Friday the 13th.
Program Ads 1 month left to submit- must be PDF
Veterans Day Gala will be back at 184 on Nov 8th only selling 200 tickets. Tickets will be $25 per VETERAN. We will be selling Hard tickets as well.
Tickets will be listed on Eventbrite.

So to kick off our Veterans Day Festivities will be;
AAAA Golf Tournament Thursday, Nov 7th
Gala on Friday, Nov 8th at Post 184
WWI memorial on Sunday morning Nov 10th -11 am
VVA 671 at Emmit Park on Sunday, Nov. 10th- 6 pm
Veterans PARADE- Monday, Nov 11th

New Business:
 Oct meeting will be the vote by ballot 2024- 2025 VOY

Good of the Order:
Share the information with your organizations. And if we have events talk about setting up a tent to promote your organization.

Important Dates:
Oct 7- Next meeting/ VOY Vote
Oct 24- Savannah City Council
Nov 1- County Commission
Nov 8- Gala
Nov 10- WWI 11 am
Nov 10- VVA- Emmitt Park- 6pm
Nov 11- Parade

Announcements:
VFW 4392-   has 4 cemetery lots for sale out at Forrest Lawn for $7,500.

VVA 671-   POW/MIA memorial event Sept 20th music 5:30 pm/program 6 pm guest speaker Lt Col William Clark

Sav Navy League-   monthly dinner Sept 24- Guest Speaker- Haylee Foster about the VA clinic, Food Drive for VA pantry, takes place at Carey Hilliard's South Side at 5:30 pm.

My Veterans Place-   Annual Family Day for Veterans Saturday, October 12 Tom Triplett Park 12-4 pm

Catholic War Veterans-   Selling Boston Butts for $35.00

Team Savannah-   Paint the Stigma this Saturday the 14th 8 am-12 pm

AL 184, 36, 500 & VFW 4392 -   Remember of September 11, 2001, at Post 184 at 8:30 am

Meal Tonight was provided by: Jewish War 320
Oct: AL Post 135
Nov. Past Veteran of the Year
Lou Buckner gave the closing invocation.
POW/MIA flag was recovered by Sr. Vice Vejar
Next Meeting: Oct 7th
The meeting Closed at 7:52 pm.

Michelle Holton
Secretary