

#### LORD FAIRFAX "SILVER" CHAPTER United States Army Warrant Officers Association 462 Herndon Parkway, Suite 207, Herndon, VA 20170-5235

### 15 FEBRUARY 2017

**Call to Order:** President CW4 John Scott presided over the meeting and called the meeting to order at 1630 hours on 15 February 2017, at the Fort Belvoir USO. A quorum was confirmed as being present or represented by proxy.

President: CW4 John Scott

Vice-President: CW5 Jon Huntington

Secretary: CW5 Alana M. Kolcun (excused)

Treasurer: CW5(R) Richard "Dick" Markle

Ways and Means: CW5(R) Ron McLendon

The Pledge of Allegiance: Said by all, followed by a moment of silence for our fallen comrades.

**Secretary's Report:** The Secretary's Report for the January meeting was not available.

**Treasurer's Report:** The 13 February 2017 Treasurer's Report was read by each of the members present. CW5(R) Dick Markle gave a summary of income and expenditures. The Chapter is in a good financial position with no outstanding obligations. CW5(R) Ron McLendon made a motion to accept the Treasurer's report subject to audit. The motion was seconded by CW5 Jon Huntington. The motion was carried and the report passed on to record.

# **Committee Reports:**

**1.** <u>Adopt-a-Highway:</u> The project coordinator, CW5(R) Markle, reported the next clean up with be in early March with a tentative date of 4 March 2017. Participants will meet at 0900 across from the John Mosby Reserve Center, 8831 John J Kingman Rd, Bldg. 2470 Fort Belvoir, VA 22060 for a quick safety brief.

**2.** <u>Ways and Means</u>: CW5(R) Ron McLendon reported on a tentative date of 8 April 2017 for the next chapter car wash. It will be held on Ft Belvoir at the Army Reserve Center, Building 221 on the corner of Gunston and Goethals Road from 0830 to 1400hr, weather permitting. CW3 Walden will assist CW5 McLendon.

Awards: NTR

# Membership, Recruiting and Retention: NTR

**<u>President's Report:</u>** CW4 John Scott discussed updating the website calendar. The intent is that with a permanent calendar established we might have more members attend the meetings and

support events that the Chapter supports. CW4 Scott also discussed holding meetings on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday every other month. On alternating months the chapter would attempt to hold a social. CW4 Scott invites all members to email him with questions or concerns John.a.scott.mil@mail.mil

# Vice President's Report: NTR

#### **Old/Unfinished Business:**

**1.** Chapter Website: The Chapters website makeover was completed by CW3 Joe Hamm and it was passed on to CW3 William Cassada. CW3 Cassada sent the link out to the leadership <u>http://www.usawoalordfairfax.org/</u>. It was reviewed and received very good comments from those at the meeting. CW5(R) Markle made two suggestions one concerning the calendar and the other migrating some of the photos and Chapter Histyory over from the old site. CW5(R) Markle informed national of the changes that should be made on the USAWOA website.

**2.** CW5(R) Dick Markle read a letter from the Ft Belvoir Director of Family and MWR thanking the chapter for the generous donation of \$900 in gift cards for their Operation Sugarplum Holiday Assistance Program.

- **3.** WOW 2017 Events:
  - <u>Golf Tournament:</u> CW5(R) Dick Markle reported that the planning for the Golf Tournament is proceeding along. The tournament date is Thursday, 22 June 2017. CW5(R) Markle has sent the information out to all of the area Chapters inviting their participation in the tournament. Information concerning the tournament has been posted in the golf course and will appear in the Ft. Belvoir Eagle. Golf Committee Chairman and committee members are CW5(R) Markle, CW5(R) Ron McLendon, CW4 Lance Carrington, CWO Larry Catlin and CW3 William Cassada. CW5 John O'Donoghue will reach out to the Special Forces Association to see if they would like to participate in the tournament. CW4 Scott will see if the tournament can be put out to CID via the Command distribution list.
  - <u>WO Birthday Cake Cutting</u>: CW4 John Scott reported that he did an online request for the USA Warrior and Family Center to use the Multipurpose Room. He received an email back from Lauren Bachand, Center Coordinator Warrior and Family Center Ft Belvoir stating that they could only reserve the room 90 days out and stated to do the request in April. CW4 Scott reported that email invitations had been sent to the following CW4(R) Jack Du Tell, CW5 Russell Smith USAR CCWO, CW4 Vickie Carriaga, Northeastern Regional Director and Dr. Gordon Sumner Army Reserve Ambassador.
  - <u>Chapter Picnic/5K Run:</u> CW5 Jon Huntington reported that he heard back from Mr. John Houser the Occoquan Park Manager who informed him the Park is undergoing a major renovation in 2017 and all of our their shelters are closed due to construction. Mr. Houser suggest CW5 Huntington try Pohick Bay Regional Park. CW5 Huntington stated he

emailed (NOVA Parks - for Pohick Bay Regional Park) management stating he is the organizer/planner for the Lord Fairfax Silver Chapter of the Warrant Officer Association. The projected date for the event is Saturday, 22 July 2017 from 0900 to 1400 hours. where we can run a 5K (inside the park) and conduct a picnic for our association

**4.** WOPD Luncheon: The upcoming WOPD luncheon was discussed. CW5 Russell Smith, USAR CCWO will be the Guest Speaker. The event will be held in the Jefferson Room of the Ft Belvoir Officer Club, 7 March 2017 from 1130 to 1300hr. The room will hold 50. Buffet cost: \$15.00 per person. Pre-Registration is required. Registration must be done on line via Eventbrite. Search Eventbrite using LFSC WOPD. Questions can be directed to CW4 Scott john.a.scott.mil@mail.mil.

**5.** Rebuilding Together Alexandria (RTA): CW5(R) Dick Markle, Chairman, reported that six volunteers have signed up. He will attend the preliminary planning session in March. The event will be held on Saturday 29 April. The Chapter has been a participant in the program for the past several years. CW5(R) Markle made a motion that the Chapter donate \$250.00 to RTA as done in prior years. The motion was seconded by CW5(R) Ron McLendon and approved by a majority vote with one abstention.

#### New Business:

**1.** WO Social – A brief discussion was held concerning trying to host a social for the retired membership in either May or June. This was postponed until the 19 April meeting.

**Announcements:** The next chapter meeting will be held on 19 April 2017, at 1630hr at the Fort Belvoir USO, Warrior and Family Center, <u>5940 9th St., Fort Belvoir, VA 22060</u>.

**Adjournment:** A motion was made to adjourn by CW5 Jon Huntington and seconded by CW5(R) Ron McLendon and the meeting was adjourned at 1725 hours.

**Respectfully submitted:** 

Alana M. Kolcun CW5, USAR Secretary Approved:

John A. Scott CW4, USAR Chapter President

#### Members Present:

CW4 John Scott CW5 Jon Huntington CW5(R) Richard "Dick" Markle CW5(R) Ron McLendon CW5(P) John O'Donoghue CW4 Kenneth Solomon CW3 Marcus Walden