



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

17 October 2018

Call to Order: President CW5 Jon Huntington presided over the meeting and called it to order at 1643 hours on 17 October 2018, at the Ft. Belvoir Golf Club. A quorum was confirmed as being present or represented by proxy.

President: CW5 Jon Huntington

Vice-President: CW3(R) Helen Pennington (excused)

Secretary: CW5 Alana M. Kolcun

Treasurer: CW5(R) Richard “Dick” Markle

Ways and Means: CW5(R) Ron McLendon

Webmaster: CW3 Will Cassada (excused)

Secretary’s Report: The Secretary’s Report for the 26 September 2018 meeting was reviewed by each of the members present. It was motioned by CW5(R) Ron McLendon and seconded by CW5(R) Eddie Mallard that the meeting minutes be accepted and passed on to record, subject to any necessary corrections. The motion was carried and the report passed on to record.

Treasurer’s Report: The 15 October 2018 Treasurer’s Report was reported to the members present. CW5(R) Dick Markle reported two sources of income, no expenditures, and two obligations. He also noted that the check given in July for AFRH Casino Night had not yet been cashed even though we were thanked for the donation. CW5(R) McLendon made a motion to accept the Treasurer’s report subject to audit. The motion was seconded by CW5(R) Mallard. The motion was carried and the report passed on to record.

President’s Report: CW5 Huntington provided a quick recap on the 100th AMM. Overall the AAM went well, however, participation was down from last year. CW5 Huntington and CW3(R) Helen Pennington counted proxies with assistance from CW5(R) Markle. Next year’s AMM – 101st – will be at Ft Campbell, KY. Jim White is our new Regional Director. CW5 Huntington would like to further the visibility of the Chapter and increase membership through various efforts: sponsorship (CW5 Huntington plans to talk to WAWA and Ped Fed), products & services (business card, pamphlets/flyers, printing), recruitment, WOPD. Along with these efforts we need to look at current membership and see what we need to do to increase participation.

--Awareness Campaign - What should it look like?

--Hang with the right company (e.g. AUSA, PenFed, events)

--Partner on events (Arlington Minuteman Chapter – golf)

Vice President's Report: N/A

Committee Reports:

1. **Adopt-a-Highway:** The project coordinator, CW5(R) Markle, reported that on 13 October 18 he, CW5(R) Ed Clayton, and CW3(R) Donnie Halsing picked 14 bags of trash in 3 hours from our Chapter's adopted Route 286 (Fairfax County Parkway). Volunteer hours: 9 hrs. The next Adopt-a-Highway cleanup is scheduled for 17 November 18 at 0900hr (weather permitting).

2. **Ways and Means:** CW5(R) McLendon, Committee Chairman, reported that on 6 October 18, was a great day for a car wash, overcast and mild weather. In four hours of work we earned \$545 for our chapter treasury. Volunteers included: CW5 Huntington, CW5 Kolcun and her husband Dan, CW5(R) Markle, CW5(R) McLendon, CW4(R) Jan Chayt, CW3(R) Halsing, CW3(R) Helen Pennington, CW3 Will Cassada, CW5 Hal Griffin and his wife Anita. Thanks went out to CW4(R) Chayt, aka 'The Cookie Lady', for donating cookies to the event. Volunteer hours: 44 hrs. The next car wash will be in March or April 2019 (weather dependent).

3. **Rebuilding Together Alexandria:** CW5(R) Markle Committee Chairman reported that the next Rebuilding Together Alexandria event will be 27 April 2019. NTR.

4. **Quarterly Spotlight Article:** The next Spotlight Article will be January 2019. CW5(R) Ron McLendon needs a BIO for Ray Bell and Dave Welch.

Old/Unfinished Business:

1. Amazon Smiles: Online fundraising option. CW5(R) Markle reported that the USAWOA is a Not for Profit Organization (501c4) and to participate in Amazon Smiles we must be a Non-Profit Organization (501c3). CW5(R) Markle is looking in to how the Chapter can become a Non-Profit Organization. For more information about the AmazonSmile program, go to <http://smile.amazon.com/about>.

2. Holiday season of giving: \$200 will be going to Thanks giving Day Baskets (Ft Meyer and Ft Belvoir Chaplin's fund. CW5(R) Markle reminded the Chapter of additional holiday season giving events: Operation Sugar Plum (PX and commissary gift cards), Project USO Elf (Adopt a kid) and Ft Meyer gift giving. CW5(R) Markle mentioned that he'll start sending holiday donation emails to Chapter members. Last year monies did not come from Chapter funds due to Chapter member participation.

3. Scheduling activities for 2019 – Chapter and joint events. We'll reach out to Chapter membership (individually) to garner their interests before fully planning the 2019 calendar. CW5 Huntington requested that members come next month with ideas. Upcoming events:

14 Nov 18 (Wed) – Chapter Meeting 1700hr

17 Nov 18 (Sat) – Adopt-a-Highway 0900hr

December – No Meeting – Happy Holidays
16 Jan 19 (Wed) – Chapter Meeting 1700hr
09 Feb 19 (Sat) – Breakfast Chapter Meeting (CW5 Kolcun to plan location)
23 Feb 19 (Sat) – Adopt-a-Highway 0900hr

New Business:

1. Survey Current Chapter Membership: A component of the Chapter Awareness campaign will be reaching out to Chapter membership to confirm members best contact info, members interests, members desire to participate in events, etc. The intent is to better understand what members would like from the Chapter and to plan Chapter events accordingly. CW5 Kolcun will draw up a list of questions to ask members. CW5 Huntington will provide Chapter roster to CW5 Kolcun. Chapter roster will be divided among key members so they can engage membership.

Announcements: The next chapter meeting will be held on 14 November 2018, at 1700hr at the conference room of the Ft. Belvoir Golf Club.

Adjournment: A motion was made to adjourn by CW5(R) Markle and seconded by CW5(R) McLendon and the meeting was adjourned at 1755 hours.

Respectfully submitted:

Approved:

Alana M. Kolcun
CW5, USAR
Secretary

Jon J. Huntington
CW5, USA
Chapter President

Members Present:

CW5 Jon Huntington
CW5 Alana Kolcun
CW5(R) Richard “Dick” Markle
CW5(R) Ron McLendon
CW5(R) Eddie Mallard

06 Oct 18 Car Wash from left to right: CW5 Jon Huntington, CW5 Alana Kolcun, CW5(R) Dick Markle, CW5(R) Ron McLendon, CW4(R) Jan Chayt, CW(3) Donnie Halsing, and CW3(R) Helen Pennington.



13 Oct 18 Adopt-A-Highway cleanup: CW5(R) Ed Clayton (left) and Donnie Halsing (right).

