

HOUSE COMMITTEE MINUTES of 27 July 2019

Purpose: To address facility issues that impact all of the facility occupants with final vote by American Legion Executive Board & membership, as applicable. The meeting also provides the forum to schedule meals for the following month.

Meeting began at 1000 hours with Jack Porath officiating. Those in attendance representing their respective organizations: Julie Fox, George Columbo, Gary and Maggie Mathews, Bob Marlow, and Lenny Guccione.

OLD BUSINESS/CURRENT FACILITY PROJECTS IMPACTING EVERYONE other than determining the meal calendar for the next month and any other food menu items; PENDING or COMPLETED work issues since the last House Committee meeting:

SHORT TERM

- ✓ **Done:** Installed curtain rods and hung new black-out curtains in the windows getting the most direct sun; painted warning stripes on the remaining stairs within the facility; and finished the touch-up painting in the main hall.

Remaining work that is scheduled for completion; date to be determined: Remove American Legion front signage that is old, faded, and not working; fix electrical and possibly timer that is not operational; Repair/replace light to the front flag as light is continually lit; repair/replace copula roof w/slope and new top; scrape damaged stucco and apply new; and repair office ceiling trim of American Legion office.

LONG TERM:

- a. Julie Fox suggested the downstairs walls and ceiling requires painting. All present agreed this would be a huge project, but something that is needed.
- b. Appears a sump pump, such as that installed on the Eastern portion of the building, may now be needed on the North side to stop the flooding issues in the poolroom. We will wait for the hole to be drilled by the next-door contractor, drilled for our sewer issue and the impact of their construction of apartments. We are also evaluating whether it would be best to install the sump pump within the facility, poolroom area.
- c. Grade and repave the entire parking lot.

OPERATIONS CHANGE: Discussions were previously held with Executive Board and today, the House Committee membership concerning our currently scheduled Friday and Thursday evenings. Acknowledged is the declining Friday attendance and revenue while Thursday night is expanding. Previously proposed and discussed today was cancelling Friday night entertainment entirely since that does not really retain personnel, possibly having a Friday sandwich type meal available for minimum charge when a meal is not available, and the organizations providing their Thursday night meal that can be reduced to a simpler serving. While this option would reduce costs and allow the organizations to continue to raise funds, the consensus was to allow current operations to continue in the short term while continuing to study the issue. Also, the organizations will now pay \$100 toward the Friday night entertainment and it was resolved that if the organizations cannot prepare a meal for a certain Friday within the scheduled month, then that night will be without entertainment and possible a sandwich type meal will be available. Next meeting will be held 1 Sep, 1000 hours.

/s/ Signed 28 July 2019

J. R. PORATH

AL/VFW Commander and Recorder