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February Meeting, Thursday, February 18, 2021

1. **Meeting was called to order at 11:00am by Chairman Edwin Robinson. The meeting was held at the Kiwanis Hall Manatee Performing Arts Center.**
2. **Chairman Edwin Robinson opened the meeting with prayer and Pledge of Allegiance.** The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all in attendance.
3. **Chairman's Comments:** Chairman, Edwin Robinson, honored Jerry Koontz with a brief remembrance speech and prayer.
4. **Due to the absence of our Recording Secretary,** Tricia Sadler was asked to become Recording Secretary Pro-Tem for this meeting. A vote will be taken at the March meeting for Tricia Sadler to become Recording Secretary.
5. **Recognition of New Members and First Time Guests:** There were no new members or first-time guests.
6. **Roll Call:** Roll call was conducted by Chairman Edwin Robinson. Present were three paid members and 2 officers. Quorum was not met.
7. **Minutes:** January will be voted on at March's meeting due to quorum not being met.
8. **Treasurer's Report:** The Treasurer's Report will be presented at the March meeting.
9. **Primary representative reports:** Chairman Edwin Robinson will contact representative that are not present for today meeting. **Manatee Veterans Village reports** donations are coming – thank you; two successful move outs and 1 move in; Thank you to the Manasota Elks for transition grant funds; and a report of a mobile home donation for a veteran in need. **Turning Points reports** that Yellow Ribbon is operational with a different structure.
10. **Old Business:**



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- **Open Position: Secretary:** Tricia Sadler volunteered – will be voted on at March Meeting
- **Open Position: Chaplain:**
- **Progress Report: Audit Committee:** L Washington, T Cobb and Courtney report that the audit is complete and with great results. Treasurer, Margaret S., did an outstanding job. There was one check that did not have back up and a copy of the bank statement will be required as back up.

11. Reports of Standing Committees:

- **Veteran Monument Park:** Jim Klocke reported that new Flags and hooks have arrived
- **Legislative:** Kevin volunteered to fill this position.
- **DAV 18 has submitted dues of \$50**
- **MOAA submitted application to honor Jerry Kontz**

12. New Business: T. Cobb requested that this council's historical records, prior to 2018, should be found and kept in storage. Chairman Edwin Robinson stated he might have those records.

13. Around the Room: Manasota Elks reported about the grant they were awarded to assist Veterans moving into permanent housing. **Vice Chairman, Courtney**, requested a monument and bench for Korean War Defenders. **Kevin, Military Matters** shared about his radio show, AM radio 1490.

14. Meeting Adjournment: As there was no further business the meeting was adjourned. A motion was made and seconded at 11:40 am.

Next Meeting: March 18, 2021 (Thursday) 11:00 am located at Kiwanis Hall, Manatee Performing Arts Center

Respectfully Submitted, Council Recording Secretary Pro-tem (For February Meeting)

Tricia Sadler



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