

MINUTES
THORNTON VETERANS' MEMORIAL FOUNDATION
March 20, 2006

Attendees:

Carol Beckler	Bob Heller
Randy Bishop	Trudie Schultz
Dave Corey	Mike Varra
Kathy Grossman	Linda Wisniewski
Tony Hake	Martin Wisniewski

1. The Minutes were read and approved.
2. Andrew Rebber of Verdin Statues spoke to the group about the type of brass work that they could produce.
 - A. They have been in business 160 years.
 - B. Process for producing a piece is:
 - a.) Design
 - b.) Drawings (2 - 4 week process)
 - c.) Changes (2 week process)
 - d.) Clay model we can keep (4 - 6 week process)
 - e.) Foundry will build mold, cast and polish (4 -6 month process)
 - C. Metal is ¼” to ½” thick.
 - D. Billing is done at certain stages of above process. At the beginning of casting one half of the remaining balance is due with the remaining half due upon completion of installation.
 - E. Will call with price on a relief plaque 2’ X 3’ in size.
3. Mike Varra served in Afghanistan with the National Guard - 519 Battalion Group. He was a visitor at the meeting.
4. A visual presentation to be taken to Ward or City Council Meetings should incorporate the final design elements of the memorial. Models as well as screen presentations should be created. Greg Banks said that his company could not absorb the cost of the model building. That is outside of the scope of the design work they had agreed to perform for free. Preliminary approval to have a model was given. A cost of the project is to be obtained before final approval is given.

5. Eagle Scouts cannot be associated with fundraisers. They can attend other events. If they are working they wear their Class B uniforms. When doing a presentation, the Boy Scouts wear their Class A uniforms.
6. Clark Carlson sent a \$200.00 check. It has been deposited into the bank.
7. We have not received approval from the IRS on our application for non-profit status. If no reply by Wednesday, the IRS and the Attorney will be called by Trudie Schultz.
8. Wal-Mart is now allowed to do matching grants and bonus grants up to \$2,000.00 to one organization in the same year.
9. Attorney will lower his fee to \$900.00 if we pay this week.
10. Other veteran and civic related events are:
 - A. National Disabled Veterans' Sport Clinic. Contact Bob Heller if interested.
 - B. Patriot Guard Riders go to funerals of Veteran's and form a perimeter around the gravesite with their motorcycles while holding 2' X 3' American flags. Contact Bob Heller if interested.
 - C. A Flag Ceremony will be held by the Boy Scouts on July 10, 2006.
11. Tony Hake moved that the meeting be closed. Bob Heller seconded the motion.