

7.20-91

REDMOND FLAG COMMITTEE  
MINUTES

Meeting held

Attendance roster attached.

AGENDA

There were questions about 38 3x5 flags that belonged to the JAYCESS are at the fairgrounds. Some people thought there is actually over a 100 flags stored somewhere. Ken Woo (the last JAYCESS President) turned over all the flags they had to the fairgrounds.

I. GETTING FLAGS

II. DISPLAYING FLAGS

III. STORING FLAGS

A letter was presented regarding the Legion's rebuttal to a Spokesman article on Legion flags. There was a brief discussion and the letter was given to the Spokesman representative. There was a brief discussion.

Rnady Povey suggested a goal for the committee that included:

U.S. flags on 5 and 6th Streets and Highland which would require 600 flags. A mission statement was presented for the group's consideration.

There was a discussion about having merchants purchasing flags. There were problems with not having all merchants buy flags. A discussion suggested starting on 6th and working to 5th and Highland.

There was considerable discussion about the future use of the casket flags. Some of the persons present suggested that the casket flags were too big. It was agreed that the Legion would have to make a final decision. In the interim, the group would try to secure other flags.

There was also a suggestion that a flag arrangement be attempted at the ends of the couplet by possibly using the casket flags. There was also discussion of possibly using POW/MIA flags at the ends of the blocks. A group of committee members ????? (secretary did not recognize persons volunteering) volunteered to study the use of flags on the islands.

There was significant discussion about the size of flags. 3x 5 can be purchased. A 5 x 8 can be purchased for \$9.11 from the Federal government. Some suggested that 4 x 6 flags be purchased. There was a general consensus that 4 x 6 should be the desired flag.

There was significant discussion about having individuals contact their representatives (possibly through xerox application forms) and purchase a flag which would be turned over to a committee for display. There was

also discussion about asking individual service clubs to purchase numerous flags. There was discussion of nylon versus cotton flags. The consensus was to use nylon flags.

Funding suggestion was to spread costs as wide as possible. The suggestion was to ask service clubs and to set up an account for individuals to purchase a flag as a memorial. It was suggested that an embroidery or plaques with name be installed on the flag spine.

A volunteer said he would contact Ponderosa Moulding to see if poles could be purchased. There was also a discussion about the hardware needed for the flags and poles. It was estimated that each flag would run between \$15-\$20 as an estimate for the service clubs.

We now have 180 holes in the sidewalk. The holes are 2' wide, 15 inches deep.

Several service clubs suggested they might run a fund raising drive. There was a need identified to find a group with a 501 C number to offer tax donation possibilities. Rotary was suggested. Western Bank was also suggested as a place to set up a bank account. BJ Fowler volunteered to research.

Mr Sweet volunteered to check with DAW regarding poles for flags.

It was recommended that the group accept 180 flags as a goal and that each service club be asked what they might purchase.

NEXT MEETING WAS SCHEDULED FOR OCTOBER 10/9/91

## DOWNTOWN REDMOND FLAG COMMITTEE

Meeting Minutes of 6 November 1991

The meeting, held in the Redmond City Council Chambers was called to order at approximately 5:35 PM by Randy Povey.

Randy Povey thanked the Redmond Spokesman for the favorable newspaper article in the edition of 30 October 1991.

Judy Goodrich reported on the pole situation, and provided a sample of the 10-foot \$1.50 poles available to us. There was discussion of doweling size, whether to purchase, then quantity to purchase. Judy and Jim Carlton will confer on available funds then place order for 200 poles.

Randy Povey called for discussion on which days to fly the flags. To start, it was decided to fly flags on six holidays, plus in 1991, December 7th, the fiftieth anniversary of the attack on Pearl Harbor. The exact holidays and organizations to fly the flags on those holidays are listed later in these minutes.

Randy Povey said that the Congressional flags currently being ordered in "ones" with their accompanying \$9.79 checks probably won't be arriving any time soon. He will contact Mr. Woe, formerly of the JC's here in Redmond to obtain their flags for this Veterans Day, November 11th.

Bill Kochheim agreed to be in charge of the Veterans Day operation this year. He asked that the flag crew assemble at the American Legion parking lot at 7:30 AM to begin put-up operations and again at 3:00 PM to begin take-down operations. Randy Povey may bring his trailer to the AL parking lot for use of the crew, but if not, Kochheim will pick up at Povey's home. Bill Kochheim asked for a count of casket flags needed for the Veterans Day operation. That number is 61. Regarding weather, Kochheim will determine whether to fly the flags or not depending on his reading of the weather at put-up time on that day.

Jim Carlton asked for discussion of which groups will be responsible for flag up/down operations on the various holidays. It was the consensus that only one service club or organization should be responsible on any one given holiday, but that on any flag-flying day, volunteer assistance from any member of the public should be welcomed.

Jim Carlton suggested tentative "day" assignments and there was discussion which resulted in the penciling-in of the following arrangements:

Memorial Day - VFW  
July 4th - Chamber of Commerce  
Fair Parade Day - Rotary  
Labor Day - Volunteer Fire Dept.  
Veterans Day - American Legion  
Flag Day - Jim Carlton will check with Kiwanis on this one.  
Pearl Harbor Day 1991 - No assignment at this time.

All committee members are urged to firm these days with their respective organizations. Jim Carlton will also contact Central Oregon Scout Executive Bill Smith to see if we can count on Scout participation in up/down and folding operations.

All groups, listed or not, are urged to decide among themselves on which holidays their members can assist, then contact the responsible organizations and make the arrangement.

Jim Carlton said that Leila Irwin has ordered 82 flags from Rep. Bob Smith's office so far. There was lengthy discussion about cost of flags and maintenance of them, as well as costs being collected. Jim asked all committee members to please be sure that anyone purchasing a flag makes their check out for \$9.79 exactly to preclude the necessity of purchasing individual money orders to send to Washington...though the group will accept money in whatever form we can get our hands on it! There was also discussion of the future marking of flags for memorialization purposes. Black marker? Embroidery from Our Personal Touch in Redmond at \$8 a pop? Or from Rainbow in Bend at \$5 per flag? No decision was made on this matter, since we still don't know when what or how we are going to ask the public for additional funds for perpetual care of the flags we are currently purchasing.

On the proposal to Becky Johnson, Jim Carlton said that his presentation will probably be along the lines of the Mission/Policies/Objectives/Strategies statement attached to these minutes.

Inclement weather (wet flags) was brought up by Randy Povey and Jim Carlton told Bill Kochheim to get flags dried "best way" possibly using laundromat facilities and that he should go ahead and pay the bill, then present the bill to Jim for payment from accrued funds in the Rotary account.

It was decided that the next meeting will be held at the same location on 4 December 1991 at 5:30 PM..

The meeting was adjourned by Randy Povey at approximately 6:45 PM.

DOWNTOWN REDMOND FLAG COMMITTEE

Meeting Minutes of 4 December 1991

The meeting was called to order by Randy Povey at 5:30 PM in Council Chambers, City Hall. He passed out the evening's agenda.

Bob Ricketts was railroaded as permanent secretary for the committee. After comments about Mr. Povey not being able to make up a list of flag workers, we got on to agenda matters.

Jim Carlton indicated that Jerry Jordan will replace B. J. Fowler as Rotary committeeperson.

Randy asked for firmed-up dates, if any, for organizations putting up/taking down flags:

Randy reported that the fire department will handle flags on Labor Day. Jim Carlton said that Rotary is not yet firm for Flag Day. Dennis Guthrie said that VFW is firm on Memorial Day. Vern Lee said American Legion is tentative, Ken McGilvray said Kiwanis is tentative and Chamber of Commerce was unknown because there was no representative at the meeting.

Jim C. indicated that Brad had received three or four flags so far. Judy G. thought about six. Jim C. said Brad has indicated he will take care of the flags for the committee on a permanent basis.

Dennis G. and Judy G. discussed the poles coming from LaPine, especially as concerns their size. They may be a bit too large to fit into our receptacles.

Connie Kochheim said that on Veterans' Day, casket flags were used only on the north and south islands. They were too large for the four corners of intersections.

Randy P. presented a 3X5 American flag donated by Ruth Hartley.

The Printing Post is hereby thanked for printing 1000 of the flag order forms for us.

Brad Carrell arrived and said that poles came in and are right at two-inches in diameter. Dennis G. suggested perhaps a sander of some type to turn them down for the first fifteen-inches of length.

Brad C. says seven flags have come in from Smith's office.

Ricketts will get plastic ties to Ken McG. so he can drill poles and get the seven new flags ready to use on 12-7-91

Jim C. says Leila Irwin has ordered 82 flags which should be arriving and that there are 103 being ordered in the next batch.

Randy C. says that 180 holes will now be filled, so it is time to move on to Phase II, and we need to discuss storage.

There was much discussion on folding, storage on poles vertically or horizontally. Brad C. talked about the convenience of a trailer. Drying was discussed. Weather here, it is agreed, does not seem to pose much of a problem. Ricketts thought schools might be approached to allow drying of any wet flags by standing them in hallways or gymnasiums, then next day, or that evening late, roll them and put them back into storage. Dennis G. will talk to VFW about drying flags in their hall as well. Various trailer configurations were discussed for storage purposes.

? - ? told us how she and Ted Kramer worked up the striking design for the flag design for the Redmond Spokesman which will show in the newspaper, how close we are to reaching our goals.

Randy P. suggested finishing 6th Street, then 5th Street. He asks committee members to think about further priorities, i.e., Wagner's? Highland? Where else?

Jim Carlton reported that Rotary has covered the \$315 pole bill and hopes for reimbursement from the committee one day. He also said that B. J. Fowler tried, unsuccessfully, to raise money for the pole program. At the new Mike's Carpet, they not only said "No" but were quite rude when they did it.

Dennis G. asked if VFW check for flags came in. Receiving a negative reply, he indicated the check is probably in the mail.

Ricketts commented that he has a commitment from Wagner's that if and when we do the COI Canal from Odem Medo Road on north, they will contribute not less than \$200 to our program.

Randy C. asked that 12-7 work party be firmed up. Bill Kochheim said American Legion will take care of islands. He also outlined how flags were put out on 6th Street on Veterans' Day. Judy G. says she is sure she can get kids from the schools' Leadership Club to help on Saturday. She also thought that her Job's Daughters might assist. She will check with the Kowolowskis to see if Boy Scouts want to be involved again. Dennis will be sure street flags get out in the morning. Ken McG. will take care of gathering them at 3PM.

Brad will turn down the seven poles for 12-7-91.

Jim Carlton and Randy Povey will make a proposal to Becky Johnson. Jim C. thinks perhaps she might be interested in buying the trailer...a possibility.

Randy P. began a discussion on finish for the flagpoles. There was much discussion about preservatives, paint, etc. Dave Teater is partial to white-painted poles and feels that a good coat of paint will do the best job. Dennis G. suggests a painting party of schoolkids and Boy Scouts, with paint either donated by local businesses or at least furnished at cost. Brad C. suggests that perhaps a preservative is the way to go...especially for ease of application and re-application. Judy G. will be talking with school Leadership Clubs too, perhaps they would want to join such a work party. Bob R. suggested having paint donors recommend the best way to finish the poles. Brad C. will bring a pole to next meeting which has been finished with preservative.

Bob Ricketts mentioned that he had "Redmond, Oregon - Flag City USA" pins for sale. Proceeds go to Central Oregon Chapter 14, Disabled American Veterans.

Dennis G. and Brad C. will look into the painting/preservative options.

Ken McG. feels that downtown core merchants are hit too heavily for donations to all worthy causes, and that we should be approaching others as well. Bob R. suggested lawyers, doctors, contractors, etc.

Randy P. says that Goal 4D "Long Term Financing" will be set over to our next meeting.

Our Personal Touch told Randy P. that \$5 would cover embroidery. It was suggested by someone that perhaps simple black marker pen would be adequate to memorialize flags.

Randy P. suggested approaching Becky Johnson for perpetual care funds. He asked that for the next meeting, members please think of various ways to get funds. Dennis G. suggested a bottle/can drive. Bob R. emphasized the need for the perpetual fund for flag replacements after a few years. Ken McG. thought that maybe going to service clubs for \$100 each, or some similar scheme might work.

Randy coordinated our next meeting with those assembled. It will be held at 5:30 PM, Wednesday, February 19, 1992, same place.

Chairman Randy Povey adjourned the meeting informally as everyone got up to go buy "Redmond, Oregon - Flag City USA" pins from Bob Ricketts. The End - See you on 2-19-92!!

