



Vietnam Veterans Of America *Chapter One*

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SEPTEMBER 2009



MINUTES OF CHAPTER MEETING Sept. 9, 2009

Four members attended, including new life associate member Robin Mainwaring-Healey from Etna, N.H., introduced by Mike Divoll.

The minutes of the June meeting were approved as written in the newsletter.

There was no formal treasurer's report. President Andy Megrath reported \$4,549.84 in the checking account. Added to the \$13,956.67 in the money market account as of June 10, the total chapter funds are about \$18,506.51 plus some interest on the money market funds.

Andy reported that Ted Stachulski, of Williamstown, a veterans advocate focused on traumatic brain injury, is no longer working for the Brain Injury Association of Vermont but is still working with the Veterans Administration on TBI services. The chapter has supported Ted's efforts to promote awareness of TBI, a leading injury of the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan.

Mike Divoll praised the appearance of the Rutland County Vietnam Veterans Memorial, which the chapter installed, with much help, in 2000. The Rutland Garden Club, with Valerie Cleary's notable leadership, has tended the plantings. Members of the chapter, particularly Andy and Sissy Megrath, have been responsible for weeding and watering during much of the summer.

Submitted by Jack Crowther, Secretary

**CHAPTER 1 WILL NOT MEET IN OCTOBER.
THE NEXT CHAPTER MEETING WILL BE WEDNESDAY, NOV. 11, 2009 AT 6 P.M.
AT THE CHAPTER OFFICES AT THE VFW, 15 WALES ST., RUTLAND, VT.**