

**MINUTES OF MEETING**  
**ALBANY-SARATOGA BASE, USSVI**  
**Location: Henry Cornell American Legion Post 234, Ballston Spa, NY**  
**Meeting Date: November 4, 2020**

The regular meeting of the Albany-Saratoga Base was called to order by Base Commander Jerry Whitehead with 20 members present

- The Base muster list was filled out by the Base Secretary to minimize contact
- Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag led by Base COB
- The Base Chaplain read the opening prayer and the Bell was tolled for Boats lost during the month of November
- Base Treasurer Ken Kohl read the Treasurer's report
- Base members introduced themselves and shared a memory of their time on the boats

**Old Business**

- No updates to report on USSVI's new website

**New Business**

American Legion Post 234 is now allowing meetings in their meeting room with the condition that they are held following all CDC guidelines. Chairs will be 6 feet apart and masks will be worn.

The Base will hold its December meeting on Wednesday December 2<sup>nd</sup> as a regular meeting, no meal as had been in the past.

The Base will place wreaths at Saratoga National Cemetery on Saturday December 5<sup>th</sup>. We will meet at the main gate at 11:00 AM. Tom Kirbey has offered to pick up the wreaths at Dehns. The Base covers the cost of the wreaths for any Base member that is interred there. If you would like a wreath for a loved one (non-Base member) you can order at a cost of \$10.00 and repay the Base. Contact me or Base Commander Jerry Whitehead if you are interested.

The Town of Clifton Park's Community Action Program awarded Albany-Saratoga Base's Kaps4Kids program \$250.00

Jim Irwin will ask American Legion Post 234 if we can display our charter document at the Post

NPTU Ballston Spa Chiefs have offered to do snow removal at the Memorial – they were referred to the Village

On October 30, 2020 USS Albany (SSN-753) held Change of Command. CDR Mathias Vorachek was relieved by CDR Rich McCandless

The Chaplain read the closing prayer and the USSVI Creed was recited

The next regular meeting will begin at 1900 on December 2, 2020. The meeting will be held at the Henry Cornell American Legion Post 234, 23 Pleasant St., Ballston Spa, NY.

Dues for 2021 are due

The meeting was concluded at 8:05 PM.

Submitted by: Jim Irwin

Albany-Saratoga Base Secretary

Pride Runs Deep