## NORTHWEST FLORIDA MILITARY OFFICERS ASSOCIATION BREAKFAST MEETING August 3, 2017

## **LUNCH MEETING**

The meeting was called to order by President Scott Berry at the Fort Walton Yacht Club at 1200. The invocation was given by Fr. Stephen Voyt. Scott Berry led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance. Following that our two Coast Guard members led us in singing the Coast Guard anthem in honor of their birthday later this month.

Scott Berry reminded the group that we are still in need of a person to fill our Public Affairs position. Scott also announced that he had been notified the our chapter had once again received the 5-Star rating from the Florida Council. Scott then honored Lt Col Rocky Heckroth, one of our WWII members, with a special presentation. He also announced that our speaker next month will be Fort Walton Beach Mayor Dick Rynearson.

Scott Berry then introduced our guest speaker for this month, Okaloosa County District 2 Commissioner Carolyn Ketchel. The commissioner presented an overview of the 2018 county budget focusing on items that are required, earnings from enterprise funds, the Lazarus Project and then answered questions from our members. At the end of her presentation, Scott Berry presented Commissioner Ketchel with the NWFMOA challenge coin.

## **OTHER TOPICS**

Following the formal meeting, Fred Westfall, standing in for Dave Parisot, held the drawing for the 50/50 Scholarship Fund raffle and the winner of \$85 was Janet Berry. Eighty-five dollars was collected for the Scholarship Fund. There were 71 paid attendees at the lunch. The meeting was adjourned at approximately 1310 hours.

Following the monthly meeting, the Executive Board met at the Fort Walton Yacht Club.