# VETERANS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

REGULAR MEETING Bergenfield Public Library April 20, 2024 10:30 AM MINUTES

# 1. Meeting Called to Order at 10:33 a.m.

# 2. Chairman's Statement

Committee Chairman Warren Williams called the meeting to order by reading the Open Public Meeting Act and the notice requirements have been satisfied. Meeting dates are confirmed at the Annual Meeting. Notices of this committee's meeting are here by posted on two municipal public notice bulletin boards, published on the websites for the Borough of Bergenfield and the Veterans Advisory Committee and on file in the Office of the Borough Clerk

#### 3. Roll Call

Roll Call	Present	Absent	Excused
Venus Carpenter, Member	X		
Kean Castillo, Member			X
Edgar Garcia, Member			X
Thomas Lang, Vice Chairman		X	
Marc Pascual, Council Liaison	X		
Richard Morf, Member		X	
Dina Moore, Member	X		
Willie Moree Jr, Member		X	
Dr. Samuel Paul, Chaplin			X
Fredrick Sahlberg, Member	X		
Wilfred Selby, Member		X	
Jose Vasquez, Secretary	X		
Amos White, Member		X	
Warren Williams, Chairman	X		

#### 4. Flag Salute

Pledge of Allegiance was led by Chairman Warren Williams

#### 5. Invocation (Chaplin)

Invocation was led by Chairman Warren Williams

# 6. Agenda Changes (Additions/Deletion)

No Changes to Agenda

#### 7. Approval of Minutes

**Motion Offered** by Fredrick Sahlberg and **Second** by Dina Moore to approve minutes for February 17, 2024 and March 16, 2024, Regular Committee Meetings minutes and to be published on the website for the Veterans Advisory Committee. All present voting in favor and none oppose.

# 8. Treasury Report

The current balance of funds available for the month of February 2024 is \$1,386.63. There are no other expenses or billing transactions for the month of February 2024. The month of March 2024, current balance of funds available is \$1,386.63. The committee received a donation of \$550.00 from the New Bridge Garage BP Gas Station fundraiser. The new balance of funds available is \$1936.63. There are no other expenses or billing transactions for the month of March 2024. **Motion Offered** by Venus Carpenter, and **Second** by Jose Vasquez to approve the committee's treasury report for the period of February 17, 2024 to April 20, 2024. All present voting in favor and none oppose.

#### 9. Presentation

No Presentation at this time.

# 10. Correspondence

No Presentation at this time.

#### 11. Unfinished Business

- a. Grants: State/Federal/Private Donators (Update)
- AARP Grant is still pending approval.
- NJDCA-SAGE Grant been submitted and still pending approval.
- b. Boating Safety Course Update April 13, 2024
- Boating Safety Course been cancelled due to under controllable situations. New course date TBD.
- c. Murder Mystery Night Update April 20, 2024
- Ticket are available. All-out effort to support the VFW Post in tickets sold to the public.
- d. Memorial Day Ceremony & Parade Information May 27, 2024
- The invite letter & entry form been distributed. Need update from borough on number participants.
- VIPs invite been distributed by email to County, State Congressional VIPs
- Grand Marshal Nomination letter & form are ready to be distributed to borough veterans.

#### 12. New Business

No New Business at this time

**13. Public Comment** (Please be advised there will be a limit of three (5) minutes per speaker and each

speaker and each may speak only once).

No persons present for public comments.

#### 14. Good of the Order

- a. VA Benefits Hand booklets have been ordered for all committee members.
- b. Bergen County Military Appreciation Month Ceremony, May 17, 2024

# 15. Committee Comments (Members Only)

No committee members commented at this time.

16. Adjournment

There being no further business before the Veterans Advisory Committee, **Motion Offered** by Dina Moore **Second** by Jose Vasquez to adjourn the meeting at 12:00 PM. All in favor none opposed. The next schedule committee meeting will be on **May 18, 2024**, time **10:30 AM**. at the location of **Bergenfield Public Library** 

Respectfully Submitted

Committee Secretary

Jose Vasquez

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