### **VETERANS ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

Bergenfield VFWPost-6467 Regular Meeting July 19, 2025

#### **MINUTES**

# 1. Meeting Called to Order at 10:01 AM

### 2. Chairman's Statement

Committee Chairman Thomas Lang 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

| Venus Carpenter, Member  Kean Castillo, Member  Joseph J. Cutolo, Member  Gerald J. Ferra Jr., Vice Chairman  Edgar Garcia, Member  X  Barry Hirschberg, Member  X  Thomas Lang, Chairman  Edward Lora, Secretary  Peter M. Matthews, Member  X  Richard Morf, Member  X  Willie Moree, Member  Marc Pascual, Council Liaison  Dr. Samuel Paul, Chaplain  Fredrick Sahlberg, Member  X  Wilfred Selby, Member  X  John Smith, Member  X  Amos White, Member  X  X  X  X  X  X  X  X  X  X  X  X  X | Roll Call                          | Present | Absent | Excused |
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| Joseph J. Cutolo, Member  Gerald J. Ferra Jr., Vice Chairman  Edgar Garcia, Member  X  Barry Hirschberg, Member  X  Thomas Lang, Chairman  Edward Lora, Secretary  Peter M. Matthews, Member  X  Richard Morf, Member  Dina Moore, Member  X  Willie Moree, Member  X  Marc Pascual, Council Liaison  X  Fredrick Sahlberg, Member  X  Wilfred Selby, Member  X  John Smith, Member  X  Amos White, Member  X  X  X  X  X  X  X  X  X  X  X  X  X  | Venus Carpenter, Member            |         |        | х       |
| Gerald J. Ferra Jr., Vice Chairman  Edgar Garcia, Member  Barry Hirschberg, Member  Thomas Lang, Chairman  Edward Lora, Secretary  Peter M. Matthews, Member  Richard Morf, Member  Dina Moore, Member  Willie Moree, Member  X  Marc Pascual, Council Liaison  Dr. Samuel Paul, Chaplain  Fredrick Sahlberg, Member  X  Wilfred Selby, Member  X  John Smith, Member  X  Amos White, Member  X  X  X  X  X  X  X  X  X  X  X  X  X  | Kean Castillo, Member              |         |        | х       |
| Edgar Garcia, Member  Barry Hirschberg, Member  Thomas Lang, Chairman  Edward Lora, Secretary  Peter M. Matthews, Member  Richard Morf, Member  Dina Moore, Member  X  Willie Moree, Member  X  Marc Pascual, Council Liaison  Dr. Samuel Paul, Chaplain  Fredrick Sahlberg, Member  X  Wilfred Selby, Member  X  John Smith, Member  X  Amos White, Member  X  X  X  X  X  X  X  X  X  X  X  X  X   | Joseph J. Cutolo, Member           |         |        | х       |
| Barry Hirschberg, Member  Thomas Lang, Chairman  Edward Lora, Secretary  Peter M. Matthews, Member  Richard Morf, Member  Dina Moore, Member  X  Willie Moree, Member  X  Marc Pascual, Council Liaison  Dr. Samuel Paul, Chaplain  Fredrick Sahlberg, Member  X  Wilfred Selby, Member  X  John Smith, Member  X  Amos White, Member  X  X  X  X  X  X  X  X  X  X  X  X  X   | Gerald J. Ferra Jr., Vice Chairman | х       |        |         |
| Thomas Lang, Chairman  Edward Lora, Secretary  Peter M. Matthews, Member  Richard Morf, Member  Dina Moore, Member  Willie Moree, Member  X  Marc Pascual, Council Liaison  Dr. Samuel Paul, Chaplain  Fredrick Sahlberg, Member  Wilfred Selby, Member  X  John Smith, Member  Amos White, Member  X  | Edgar Garcia, Member               |         | х      |         |
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| Peter M. Matthews, Member  Richard Morf, Member  Dina Moore, Member  X Willie Moree, Member  X Marc Pascual, Council Liaison  Dr. Samuel Paul, Chaplain  Fredrick Sahlberg, Member  X Wilfred Selby, Member  X John Smith, Member  Jose Vasquez, Member  X Amos White, Member  | Thomas Lang, Chairman              | Х       |        |         |
| Richard Morf, Member  Dina Moore, Member  X Willie Moree, Member  X Marc Pascual, Council Liaison  Dr. Samuel Paul, Chaplain  Fredrick Sahlberg, Member  X Wilfred Selby, Member  X John Smith, Member  Jose Vasquez, Member  X Amos White, Member   | Edward Lora, Secretary             | Х       |        |         |
| Dina Moore, Member  Willie Moree, Member  X  Marc Pascual, Council Liaison  Dr. Samuel Paul, Chaplain  Fredrick Sahlberg, Member  Wilfred Selby, Member  X  John Smith, Member  Jose Vasquez, Member  Amos White, Member  X  | Peter M. Matthews, Member          |         |        | Х       |
| Willie Moree, Member  Marc Pascual, Council Liaison  Dr. Samuel Paul, Chaplain  Fredrick Sahlberg, Member  Wilfred Selby, Member  John Smith, Member  Jose Vasquez, Member  Amos White, Member  X  | Richard Morf, Member               | Х       |        |         |
| Marc Pascual, Council Liaison  Dr. Samuel Paul, Chaplain  Fredrick Sahlberg, Member  Wilfred Selby, Member  John Smith, Member  Jose Vasquez, Member  X  Amos White, Member  | Dina Moore, Member                 |         |        | Х       |
| Dr. Samuel Paul, Chaplain  Fredrick Sahlberg, Member  Wilfred Selby, Member  John Smith, Member  Jose Vasquez, Member  Amos White, Member  X   | Willie Moree, Member               |         |        | х       |
| Fredrick Sahlberg, Member  Wilfred Selby, Member  John Smith, Member  Jose Vasquez, Member  Amos White, Member  X  | Marc Pascual, Council Liaison      | Х       |        |         |
| Wilfred Selby, Member  John Smith, Member  X  Jose Vasquez, Member  X  Amos White, Member  X   | Dr. Samuel Paul, Chaplain          | Х       |        |         |
| John Smith, Member X  Jose Vasquez, Member X  Amos White, Member X   | Fredrick Sahlberg, Member          | х       |        |         |
| Jose Vasquez, Member X Amos White, Member X  | Wilfred Selby, Member              |         | Х      |         |
| Amos White, Member X   | John Smith, Member                 | х       |        |         |
|  | Jose Vasquez, Member               | х       |        |         |
| Warren Williams, Treasurer X   | Amos White, Member                 | х       |        |         |
|  | Warren Williams, Treasurer         | х       |        |         |

## 4. Flag Salute

Led by Committee Chairman Thomas Lang

## 5. Invocation (Chaplain)

Given by Committee Chaplain Dr. Samuel Paul.

## **6. Agenda Changes** (Additions/Deletion)

No additions/deletions to meeting agenda

## 7. Approval of Minutes (June 2025)

**Motion Offered by** Fredrick Sahlberg and **Second by** Samuel Paul to approve minutes for June 21, 2025 Committee Meeting minutes and to be published on the Veterans Committee website. All present voted in favor **YES**.

## **8. Treasury Report** (July 2025)

a. The treasury report for June 2025, the current balance of \$698.64. There are no expenses or billing transactions paid during the reporting period May June 21, 2025 – July 19, 2025. The current balance of funds available is \$698.64. **Motion Offered by** Fredrick Sahlberg and **Second by** Richard Morf to approve treasurer's report for July 2025 Committee Treasury Report. All present voted in favor **YES**.

### 9. Presentation

No Presentations

# 10. Correspondence

No Presentations

#### 11. Unfinished Business

#### 12. New Business

None

**13. Public Comment** (*Please be advised there will be a limit of three* (3) *minutes per each speaker*)

None

#### 14. Good of the Order

None

# **15. Open Comments** (Members Only)

None

# 16. Adjournment

There being no further business before the Veterans Advisory Committee, Motion Offered by Barry Hirschberg and Second by Richard Morf to adjourn the meeting. All present voted in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 11:18AM. The next scheduled committee meeting will be on July 19, 2025 at Bergenfield VFW Post at 10:00AM.

Respectfully Submitted *Edward Lora*Edward Lora
Committee Secretary