

**VETERANS ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
REGULAR MEETING**

**August 12, 2023**

**9:30 AM**

**MINUTES**

**1. Meeting Called to Order at 9:38 AM**

**2. Chairman's Statement**

Committee Secretary and Acting Chairman Warren Williams called the to order with the reading of the Open Public Meeting Act, the notice requirements have been satisfied. Meeting dates are confirmed at the Annual Meeting. Notices of this meeting will be posted on two municipal public notice bulletin boards, published on the website for the Borough of Bergenfield and the website for the Veterans Advisory Committee and on file in the Office of the Borough Clerk

**3. Roll Call**

<b>Roll Call</b>	<b>Present</b>	<b>Absent</b>	<b>Excused</b>
Yvonne Aponte, Member	X		
Edgar Garcia, Member	X		
Thomas Lang, Member	X		
Marc Pascual, Council Liaison			X
Richard Morf, Member	X		
Dina Moore, Member	X		
Willie Moree Jr, Member	X		
Dr. Samuel Paul, Chaplin	X		
Fred Sahlberg, Member	X		
Wilfred Selby, Member		X	
Joseph Sokol, Member		X	
Jose Vasquez, Member	X		
Benjamin Whaley, Member	X		
Amos White, Member	X		
Warren Williams, Secretary	X		

**4. Flag Salute**

Pledge of Allegiance led by Committee Secretary Warren Williams

**5. Invocation (Chaplin)**

Invocation given by Committee Member Thomas Lang

## 6. Agenda Changes (Additions/Deletion)

No Agenda Additions/Deletions at this moment

## 7. Approval of Minutes (May 2023)

**Motion Offered** by Committee Member Thomas Lang and **Second** by Committee Member Richard Morf, to approve minutes for June 17, 2023, Regular Committee Meeting minutes and to be published on the website for the Veterans Advisory Committee and no minutes for the July 2023, since there was no meeting for July 2023. All present voting is in favor, and none oppose.

## 8. Treasury Report (August 2023)

The current balance of funds available is still at \$2,086.53. There were no donations and no other expenses or billing transactions during this reporting period of June 17, 2023 to August 12, 2023. The committee has donated \$200 to the VFW Post and Auxiliary for the purchase of a tent (10ft x20ft) for outdoor events. **Motion Offered** by Committee Member Dina Moore and **Second** by Committee Member Fred Sahlberg, to approve the committee's treasury report June 17, 2023 to August 12, 2023 and the donation of \$200 to the VFW Post and Auxiliary for the purchase of 10ftx 20ft tent for outdoor events. All present voting in favor and none oppose.

## 9. Presentation/ Correspondence

A. Presentation: Welcome New Committee Member – Jose Vasquez

Committee Secretary Warren Williams welcomed Jose Vasquez as a new member to the Bergenfield Veterans Committee. New committee member Jose Vasquez was presented a BVETAC Committee shirt and Challenge Coin and was given the Oath of Commitment and Support to our Veterans.

## 10. Unfinished Business

A. Vietnam Memorial Moving Wall (Bergenfield: August 31-04 September 2023).

## 11. New Business

A. Special Nominations for new Committee Officers

**Motion Offered** by Committee Member Dina Moore and **Second** by Committee Member Jose Vasquez to approve the selection of nominations for Committee Officers. All committee members were in favor and approved the nominations to Veterans Committee's leadership positions and none opposed.

Chairman:	Warren Williams
Vice Chairman:	Thomas Lang
Secretary:	Jose Vasquez

B. Special Election for new Committee Officers

**Motion Offered** by Committee Member Fred Sahlberg and **Second** by Committee Member Dina Moore to conduct the election of the new committee officers. All committee members present are in favor of and approve the final election results of the new Veterans Committee officers and none opposed.

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C. Meeting Schedule Change.

**Motion Offered** by Committee Secretary Warren Williams and **Second** by Committee Member Richard Morf to change committee schedule for September 2023 from No Meeting to a re-schedule meeting date for September 23, 2023, so that the committee can start planning for next year calendar. All committee members present are in

favor and approve of the next committee meeting being scheduled for September 23, 2023 and none opposed.

**12. Good of the Order**

- A. Auxiliary Annual Pig Roast (August 19, 2023)
- B. Vietnam Memorial Moving Wall (Bergenfield High School: August 31-04 September 2023)
- C. Bergen County POW/MIA Recognition Day Ceremony: September 15, 2023, 12:30PM, Hackensack
- D. VFW District-2 Annual Picnic: September 30, 2023, 12PM – 4PM, Rochell Park American Legion Post-33

**13. Public Comments**

No Public Comments at this moment.

**14. Legislative Bills Update**

- A. NJ Legislative Bills

No Legislative Bills Update at this moment.

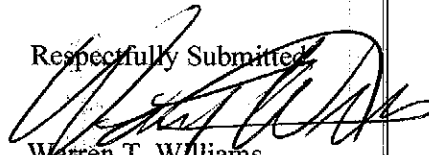
- B. Congressional Bills

No Congressional Bills Updates at this moment

**15. Adjournment**

**Motion Offered** by Committee Member Yvonne Aponte and **Second** by Committee Member Dina Moore to adjourn the meeting. The next schedule committee meeting will be on Saturday, September 23rd, 2023, at 10:00AM, and the location TBA. There being no further business to come before the Veterans Committee. This meeting was adjourned at 10:18 AM.

Respectfully Submitted



Warren T. Williams  
Sgt Major (Retired), USA  
Committee Chairman