VETERANS ADVISORY COMMITTEE REGULAR MEETING November 19, 2022

MINUTES

1. Meeting Called to Order at 10:08 a.m.

2. Chairman's Statement

In compliance with 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. In case of an emergency, go to the nearest emergency exit where you are seated. Please turn off all cell phones.

3. Roll Call

| Roll Call | Present | Absent | Excused |
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| Edgar Garcia, Member | X | | |
| Thomas Lang, Member | X | | |
| Rafael Marte, Council Liaison | | X | |
| Richard Morf, Member | X | | |
| Dina Moore, Member | X | | |
| Willie Moree Jr, Member | X | | |
| John Opatovsky, Vice Chairman | | X | |
| Dr. Samuel Paul, Chaplin | X | | |
| Alexandra Rodriguez, Member | | X | |
| Fred Sahlberg, Member | | X | |
| Wilfred Selby, Member | | X | |
| Joseph Sokol, Member | | X | |
| John Smith, Chairman | X | | |
| Benjamin Whaley, Member | | X | |
| Amos White, Member | X | | |
| Warren Williams, Secretary | X | | |

4. Flag Salute

Pledge of Allegiance led by Committee Member Willie Moore

5. Invocation (Chaplin)

The Invocation given by Committee Chaplin Dr. Samuel Paul

6. Agenda Changes (Additions/Deletion or Revisions)

No Additions/Deletion or Revisions to this agenda

7. Approval of Minutes (October 2022)

Motion Offered by Committee Member Richard Morf and **Second** by Committee Member Thomas Lang to approve the minutes for October 15, 2022, regular committee meeting minutes and publish the minutes to the committee's website. All present voting in favor and none oppose.

8. Treasury Report (October 2022)

Committee Member Warren Williams updated the committee with the monthly treasury report for the period of September 16, 2022 through October 15, 2022. The current balance of funds available is \$2,240.32. The following transactions are: \$110.00 paid the bill for embroidered committee shirts and a donation of \$360.00 was given to the committee. The new balance of funds is \$2,130.30 **Motion Offered** by Committee Member Thomas Lang and **Second** by Committee Member Amos White to approve the committee's treasury report for the period of September 16, 2022 through October 15, 2022, report. All present voting in favor and none oppose.

9. Presentation/ Correspondence

No Presentation/Correspondence

10. Unfinished Business

A. New Public Wireless Program (U&I Wireless) Follow Up

Committee Chairman John Smith presented the follow up decision to accept the new public wireless program from U&I Wireless for the propose of having some type of wireless contacted for the committee. The matter was decisioned on and all committee members recommended that the owner of U&I Wireless to be at the next committee meeting for more questions about the program.

11. New Business

A. Review and Discuss 2023 Committee Meeting Dates

Committee Secretary Warren Williams presented the committee members with the meeting dates for the year 2023. **Motion Offered** by Committee Member Richard Morf and **Second** by Committee Member Amos White to approve meeting schedule dates for 2023. All present voting in favor and none oppose,

B. Recommendations and Nominations of Committee Members for 2023

Committee Chairman John Smith presented to each committee members who would want to remain or be removed from the committee for the year 2023. All committee present agreed to remain on committee. **Motion Offered** by Committee Secretary Warren Williams **Second** by Committee Member Amos White recommended to the committee that members who haven't been attending and participating in committee functions be removed from the committee. The Committee Chairman will contact does persons in question and will informed them that their service to the committee will be end December 31th 2022. All present voting in favor and none oppose.

12. Good of the Order

- A. Mayor & Council Annual Volunteers Dinner (6:30pm 9:30pm, December 8, 2022)
- B. Army vs. Navy Game Open Buffet (3pm 6pm, December 10, 2022)
- C. USO Dance-Old 50s,60, 70s Style Fundraiser (8pm -12pm, March 10, 2023)
- D. Vietnam War Commemorative Partner Program (Application Submitted & Pending Approval)

13. Verbal Communications

No discussion

14. Committee Comments

No discussion

15. Adjournment

Motion Offered by Committee Member Benjamin Whaley and **Second** by Committee Member Thomas Lang to adjourn the meeting. The next schedule committee meeting will be on Saturday, December 17th, 2022, time-10:00AM, at the VFW Post. There being no further business to come before the Veterans Committee. This meeting was adjourned at 12:09PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Warren T. Williams Sgt Major (Retired), USA

Committee Secretary