

**VETERANS ADVISORY COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES
8:00 PM
August 11, 2020**

Chairman John Smith called the meeting called to order at 8:08 PM

OPEN PUBLIC MEETING STATEMENT

In compliance with the Open Public Meeting Act, the notice requirements have satisfied. Meeting dates are confirmed at the Annual Meeting. Notices of this meeting was provided to the Record, Star Ledger, Twin Boro News and Cablevision, posted on two municipal public notice bulletin boards, published on the borough website and is on file in the Office of the Borough Clerk.

Salute to the Flag was led by Thomas Lane.

Roll Call

Roll Call	Present	Absent
Edward Andreus		X
Kevin Clancy		X
Thomas Lang – VFW Cmdr	X	
Mike Mattesich	X	
Rafael Marte – Council Liaison		X
John Opatovsky – DAV Cmdr	X	
Ralph Ritter		X
Fred Sahlberg	X	
John Smith	X	
Amos White		X
Warren Williams	X	

Approval of Minutes - No minutes published due to the COVID-19 pandemic and placement of new committee officers.

Motion by Warren Williams and **Second by** Thomas Lane, to conducted election for appointing new committee officers for the following positions: Chairman, Vice Chairman and Secretary for the Veterans Advisory Committee. All present voting in favor, none opposed.

ELECTION of COMMITTEE OFFICERS

Election was conducted and the final results as follows: Chairman-John Smith, Vice Chairman-John Opatovsky, Secretary- Warren Williams

Motion by Thomas Lane. **Second by** John Smith, to approve the results of election for the new committee officers. All present voting in favor, none opposed.

Motion by Chairman John Smith, **Second by** Secretary Warren Williams, to approve Veterans Committee By-Laws.

ROLL CALL FOR VOTE TO APPROVE COMMITTEE BY-LAWS

ROLL CALL	AYE	NO	ABSENT
Edward Andreus			X
Kevin Clancy			X
Thomas Lang	X		
Mike Mattesich	X		
John Opatovsky – DAV Cmdr	X		
Ralph Ritter			X
Fred Sahlberg	X		
John Smith	X		
Amos White			X
Warren Williams	X		

All present voting in favor, none opposed.

NEW BUSINESS

1. **Motion by** Chairman Smith, **Second by** John Opatovsky, established a sub-committee, to set up veterans registration website to assist and support all veterans and family members for some resource of assistance in for veterans benefits and information updates and appoint Mike Mattesich as the project leader and give a presentation to get the borough council for approval to place the veterans network support website on the borough's website. All present voting in favor, none opposed.

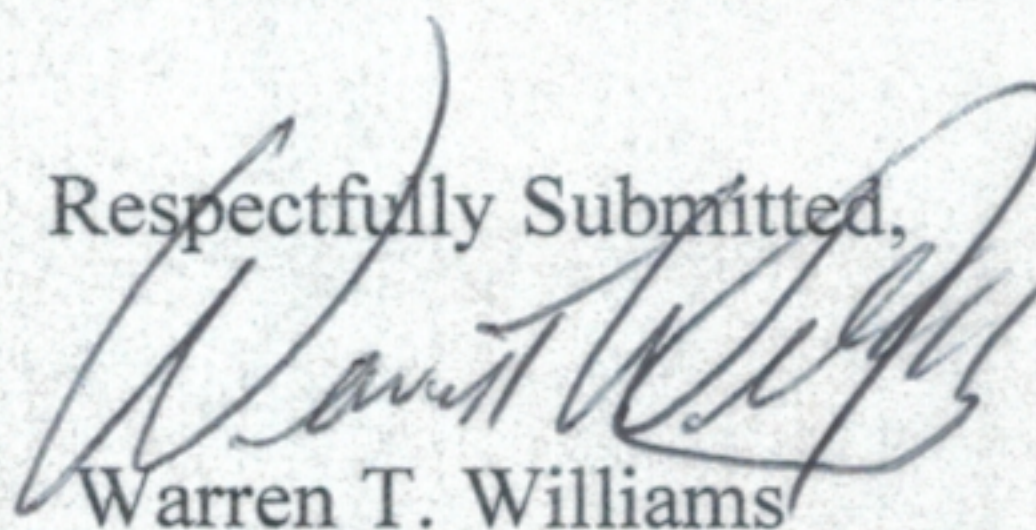
2. **Motion by** Chairman Smith, **Second by** Thomas Lane to update the Committee's members listing by removing Edward Andreus from the committee for not attending committee meeting in accordance to committee by-laws. Request to add Joseph Sokol to the committee, to full the upcoming vacant position to the committee. All present voted in favor, none opposed.

3. **Motion by** John Opatovsky, **Second by** Warren Williams, to rotate monthly meeting locations during balance of 2020. Next monthly committee meeting, will be held at the DAV Chapter-32, 8 Veterans Plaza, Bergenfield, NJ at 8:00 PM. All present voted in favor, none opposed.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Veterans Committee, on a motion by Chairman Smith, second by Thomas Lane and unanimously carried to adjourn this meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 9:28 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,



Warren T. Williams
Committee Secretary