



# City of Prescott

## Mayor's Veterans Commission

March 6, 2024 | 9:00 AM  
Grace Sparks Activity Center  
824 E. Gurley Street  
Prescott, AZ 86301

### AGENDA

The following Agenda will be considered by the **Mayor's Veterans Commission** at their meeting to be held **March 6, 2024**. Notice of this meeting is given pursuant to Arizona Revised Statutes, Section 38-431.02.

1. **CALL TO ORDER**
2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
3. **ROLL CALL**
4. **DISCUSSION & ACTION ITEMS**
  - A. Approval of Minutes from the January 3, 2024 Mayor's Veterans Commission Meeting.  
**Recommended Action: MOVE to approve the minutes as presented**
  - B. Presentation & Discussion Regarding Vet-Connect Neighborhood Town Hall Update – Steve Woods/Ed Reiger.  
**Recommended Action: This item is for discussion only. No formal action will be taken.**
  - C. Presentation & Discussion Regarding USVets Update – Bryan Campbell.  
**Recommended Action: This item is for discussion only. No formal action will be taken.**
  - D. Presentation & Discussion Regarding a VA Update – Craig Furst/Steve Sample.  
**Recommended Action: This item is for discussion only. No formal action will be taken.**
  - E. Presentation & Discussion Regarding Veterans Employment – Kevin Gertz.  
**Recommended Action: This item is for discussion only. No formal action will be taken.**
  - F. Presentation & Discussion Regarding Update on Veterans Benefits – Reghan Stuller.  
**Recommended Action: This item is for discussion only. No formal action will be taken.**
  - G. Presentation & Discussion Regarding an Update on the April 2024 Veterans Car Show – Pam Winton.  
**Recommended Action: This item is for discussion only. No formal action will be taken.**
  - H. Introduction of Ernest A. Love American Legion Post 6 New Commander Tom Shaffer.  
**Recommended Action: This item is for discussion only. No formal action will be taken.**

## **5. UPDATES**

A. Staff Announcements

## **6. ADJOURNMENT**

Upon a public majority vote of a quorum of the Board, the Board may hold an executive session, which will not be open to the public, regarding any item listed on the agenda but only for the following purposes:

- (1) Discussion or consideration of personnel matters (A.R.S. §38-431.03(A)(1));
- (2) Discussion or consideration of records exempt by law (A.R.S. §38-431.03(A)(2));
- (3) Discussion or consultation for legal advice with the city's attorneys (A.R.S. §38-431.03(A)(3));
- (4) Discussion or consultation with the city's attorneys regarding the city's position regarding contracts that are the subject of negotiations, in pending or contemplated litigation, or in settlement discussions conducted in order to avoid litigation (A.R.S. § 38-431.03(A)(4));
- (5) Discussion or consultation with designated representatives of the city to consider its position and instruct its representatives regarding negotiations with employee organizations (A.R.S. §38-431.03(A)(5));
- (6) Discussion, consultation or consideration for negotiations by the city or its designated representatives with members of a tribal council, or its designated representatives, of an Indian reservation located within or adjacent to the city (A.R.S. §38-431.03(A)(6));
- (7) Discussion or consultation with designated representatives of the city to consider its position and instruct its representatives regarding negotiations for the purchase, sale or lease of real property (A.R.S. §38-431.03(A)(7)).

## **CERTIFICATION OF POSTING OF NOTICE**

The undersigned hereby certifies that a copy of the foregoing notice was duly posted at Prescott City Hall on 2/22/24 at 3:30 p.m. in accordance with the statement filed by the Prescott City Council with the City Clerk.



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Sarah M. Siep, City Clerk



TO: MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL  
AGENDA: March 6 Mayor's Veterans Commission  
DATE: March 6, 2024  
DEPT: Human Resources  
ITEM #: 4.A  
SUBJECT: Approval of Minutes from the January 3, 2024  
Mayor's Veterans Commission Meeting.

## ITEM SUMMARY

This items is for approval of the January 3, 2024 meeting minutes. Staff recommends approving the minutes as presented.

## BACKGROUND

None.

## FINANCIAL IMPACT

No financial impact.

## RECOMMENDED ACTION

MOVE to approve the minutes as presented

## ATTACHMENTS

1. January 3, 2024 Veterans Commission Minutes



# City of Prescott

## Mayor's Veterans Commission

January 3, 2024 | 9:00AM  
Grace Sparks Activity Center  
824 E. Gurley Street  
Prescott, AZ 86301

### MINUTES

#### 1. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Pat Kuykendall called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

#### 2. ROLL CALL

Pat Kuykendall - Chair  
Bryan Campbell – Member  
Brandon Drake – Member (Absent)  
Craig Furst - Member  
Bryan Houbek – Member  
Richard Otto – Member (Absent)  
Edward Reiger – Member  
Jeff Timm – Member (Absent)  
Steve Woods – Member

#### 3. DISCUSSION & ACTION ITEMS

A. Approval of November 1, 2023 Meeting Minutes.

**MOTION BY MEMBER WOODS TO APPROVE THE MINUTES AS PRESENTED;  
SECONDED BY MEMBER REIGER. PASSED (6-0)**

B. Presentation & Discussion Regarding Vet-Connect Neighborhood Town Hall Update  
- Steve Woods/Ed Reiger

- a. The first half of the year is being finalized.
- b. February or March location will be the American Legion.
- c. Yavapai Hills, Pinon Oaks suggested as a target areas for later spring.
- d. The North Prescott area suggested for May or June, may be consolidated.
- e. Considering further means for public outreach.

C. Update and Discussion Regarding US Vets from Bryan Campbell

- a. Bryan announced his new position as Executive Director at US Vets, plans to remain on commission.
- b. The new Veterans Connection Hub is up and running, providing a good place to connect. February's commission meeting to be held at the Hub.
- c. Holiday events were very successful. Bryan encouraged volunteer help year-round.
- d. Housing expansion at the VA to break ground in August of 2024.
- e. Fundraising is strong, many efforts exist to address homelessness, financial resources are available.

- D. VA Update – Craig Furst
- a. The Senior Network January event will be on 1/9/24 from 5:00 to 7:30PM.
  - b. Other events VA will be on site for are the Parker 400, an enrollment event on MLK day, and Wickenburg stand down. See Craig for further details.
  - c. The VA clinic in Chinle now has a full-time nurse practitioner on site.
  - d. Craig is partnering with Judge Padilla for 2024 to assist with Vet connections.
  - e. The VBA will be on site at Building 14 on 1/10/24 and 1/24/24, looking to offer weekly access in the future.
- E. Recap on Veterans Day Parade
- a. The parade was the biggest in the state with 115 entries.
  - b. The cadets did a great job helping with the event.

Announcements

- a. The Veterans Quarterly Business mixer will be held at Springhill Suites on Sheldon St. on 2/5/24 at 5:00 PM.
- b. The 12<sup>th</sup> Annual Cruise-In for the Veterans is scheduled for April 20<sup>th</sup>
- c. Bryan Houbek announced gearing up for more cadets in the Spring.
- d. Steve Woods announced the expansion of the Veterans cemetery.
- e. All are encouraged to look at businesses and companies in the quad cities employing veterans as convenient means to expand the outreach efforts in 2024. Notify Craig Furst of any companies to contact.

**4. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to discuss, Chair Kuykendall adjourned the meeting at 9:59 a.m.

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PATRICK KUYKENDALL, Chair

ATTEST:

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LIZ BOAWN, Staff Liaison



TO: MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL  
AGENDA: March 6 Mayor's Veterans Commission  
DATE: March 6, 2024  
DEPT: Human Resources  
ITEM #: 4.B  
SUBJECT: Presentation & Discussion Regarding Vet-Connect Neighborhood Town Hall Update – Steve Woods/Ed Reiger.

## ITEM SUMMARY

Members Ed Reiger and Steve Woods will provide the Commission with an update regarding the upcoming Vet-Connect Neighborhood Town Hall meetings.

## BACKGROUND

None.

## FINANCIAL IMPACT

No financial impact.

## RECOMMENDED ACTION

This item is for discussion only. No formal action will be taken.

## ATTACHMENTS

None



TO: MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL  
AGENDA: March 6 Mayor's Veterans Commission  
DATE: March 6, 2024  
DEPT: Human Resources  
ITEM #: 4.C  
SUBJECT: Presentation & Discussion Regarding USVets Update – Bryan Campbell.

### ITEM SUMMARY

Member Campbell will provide the Commission with an update on US Vets.

### BACKGROUND

None.

### FINANCIAL IMPACT

No financial impact.

### RECOMMENDED ACTION

This item is for discussion only. No formal action will be taken.

### ATTACHMENTS

None



TO: MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL  
AGENDA: March 6 Mayor's Veterans Commission  
DATE: March 6, 2024  
DEPT: Human Resources  
ITEM #: 4.D  
SUBJECT: Presentation & Discussion Regarding a VA Update – Craig Furst/Steve Sample.

### ITEM SUMMARY

Members Craig Furst and Steve Sample will provide the Commission with an update on the VA.

### BACKGROUND

None.

### FINANCIAL IMPACT

No financial impact.

### RECOMMENDED ACTION

This item is for discussion only. No formal action will be taken.

### ATTACHMENTS

None



TO: MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL  
AGENDA: March 6 Mayor's Veterans Commission  
DATE: March 6, 2024  
DEPT: Human Resources  
ITEM #: 4.E  
SUBJECT: Presentation & Discussion Regarding Veterans Employment – Kevin Gertz.

## ITEM SUMMARY

Disabled Veterans Employment Representative, Kevin Gertz, from ARIZONA@WORK will present on Veterans' employment for those who have barriers to employment.

## BACKGROUND

None.

## FINANCIAL IMPACT

No financial impact.

## RECOMMENDED ACTION

This item is for discussion only. No formal action will be taken.

## ATTACHMENTS

None



TO: MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL  
AGENDA: March 6 Mayor's Veterans Commission  
DATE: March 6, 2024  
DEPT: Human Resources  
ITEM #: 4.F  
SUBJECT: Presentation & Discussion Regarding Update on Veterans Benefits – Reghan Stuller.

## ITEM SUMMARY

Northern Arizona Manager of Arizona Department of Veterans Services, Reghan Stuller, will provide the Commission an update on Veterans Benefits.

## BACKGROUND

None.

## FINANCIAL IMPACT

No financial impact.

## RECOMMENDED ACTION

This item is for discussion only. No formal action will be taken.

## ATTACHMENTS

None



TO: MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL  
AGENDA: March 6 Mayor's Veterans Commission  
DATE: March 6, 2024  
DEPT: Human Resources  
ITEM #: 4.G  
SUBJECT: Presentation & Discussion Regarding an Update on the April 2024 Veterans Car Show – Pam Winton.

## ITEM SUMMARY

Pam Winton will provide the Commission with an update regarding the Veteran's Car Show which will take place in April 2024.

## BACKGROUND

None.

## FINANCIAL IMPACT

No financial impact.

## RECOMMENDED ACTION

This item is for discussion only. No formal action will be taken.

## ATTACHMENTS

None



TO: MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL  
AGENDA: March 6 Mayor's Veterans Commission  
DATE: March 6, 2024  
DEPT: Human Resources  
ITEM #: 4.H  
SUBJECT: Introduction of Ernest A. Love American Legion  
Post 6 New Commander Tom Shaffer.

## ITEM SUMMARY

The Commission will be introduced to Tom Shaffer, the new Commander at American Legion Post 6.

## BACKGROUND

None.

## FINANCIAL IMPACT

No financial impact.

## RECOMMENDED ACTION

This item is for discussion only. No formal action will be taken.

## ATTACHMENTS

None