



City of Prescott Mayor's Veterans Commission

July 5, 2023 | 9:00 AM
824 E. Gurley Street
Grace Sparks Activity Center
Prescott, AZ 86303

MINUTES

1. CALL TO ORDER

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

2. ROLL CALL

Pat Kuykendall - Chair
Bryan Campbell - Member
Brandon Drake - Member
Richard Otto - Member
Edward Reiger - Member
Jeff Timm - Member
Steve Woods - Member

3. DISCUSSION & ACTION ITEMS

A. Approval of June 7, 2023, Meeting Minutes

Steve Woods motioned to approve; Bryan Campbell seconded. Passed unanimously.

B. Welcome to New Committee Members – Discuss roles & responsibilities.

- a. Provided all new committee members with Loyalty Oath of Office and new committee member packet.
- b. Discussed roles & responsibilities – attendance, collaboration, and communication are key.
- c. Be the voice piece to the community. Positive force.

C. Discussion Regarding Vet-Connect Neighborhood Town Hall Update - Steve Woods/Ed Reiger

- a. Steve passed out Granite Dells Estates Vet Connect Town Hall packet. The event is planned for Thursday, August 3, 2023 at Granite Dells Estates from 6:00pm-7:30pm to provide local Veterans information on available Veterans benefits. discussed potential August dates for the Dells. Potential for a fall event at Westwood/Saddlebrook area.

D. Update and Discussion Regarding US Vets from Bryan Campbell.

- a. Mid-August Crisis Intervention Counselor
- b. Veterans Center grand opening
- c. Possibly the veterans mixer during the same event.
- d. PIT Count 20% of the homeless population are veterans. This includes sheltered and unsheltered.

D.

VA Update - Steve Sample

- a. Strategic Planning – last one for FY.
- b. VA Page Event
- c. Surgery Service at VA
- d. VA hospital compares extremely well compared to others.

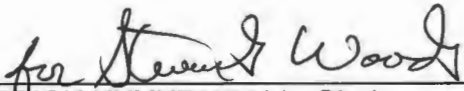
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General Staff Announcements

- a. Vet-Connect Town Hall August 3, 2023
- b. Veterans Parade – banner to bring awareness to the commission.
- c. Mental Health First Aid – 17 attended & received certifications.
- d. 2nd Chance and Reentry Job Fair – July 27th
- e. August 7th next quarterly veteran mixer at ERAU.
- f. September 23rd VA Job Fair

4. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to discuss, Chair Arnold adjourned the meeting at 3:04 p.m.


PATRICK KUYKRNDALL, Chair

ATTEST:


MELISSA FOUSEK, Staff Liaison