



City of Prescott

Mayor's Veterans Commission

August 2, 2023 | 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 AM.

2. ROLL CALL

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

3. DISCUSSION & ACTION ITEMS

A. Approval of July 5, 2023, Meeting Minutes

Motion by Chair Kuykendall to approve the minutes as presented; seconded by Member Woods. Passed (8-0)

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

- a. The event is planned for Thursday, August 3, 2023 at Granite Dells Estates from 6:00pm-7:30pm to provide local Veterans and their families information on available Veterans benefits
- b. Review of proposed agenda
- c. Fall event at Westwood scheduled for 9/21/23

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

- a. The Navajo Standdown was a success.
- b. The next Standdown is planned for mid-September. More details will be provided at the next meeting.
- c. US Vets could always use volunteers, please share.
- d. Vet Court is Fridays – please spread the word about this new benefit which provides legal help. Requires registration.

D. VA Update – Craig Furst

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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.

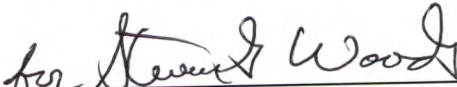
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General Staff Announcements

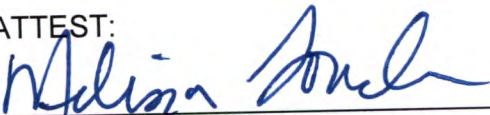
- a. Vet-Connect Town Hall August 3, 2023
- b. Veterans Parade – banner to bring awareness to the commission.
- c. Mental Health First Aid – 17 attended & received certifications.
- d. 2nd Chance and Reentry Job Fair – July 27th
- e. August 7th next quarterly veteran mixer at ERAU.
- f. September 23rd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