

City of Prescott Mayor's Veterans Commission

October 4, 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 (Absent)
Brandon Drake - Member (Absent)
Craig Furst - Member
Bryan Houbek - Member
Richard Otto - Member
Edward Reiger - Member
Jeff Timm - Member (Absent)
Steve Woods - Member

3. DISCUSSION & ACTION ITEMS

A. Approval of September 6, 2023, Meeting Minutes.

**MEMBER WOODS MOVE TO APPROVE THE MINUTES AS PRESENTED; SECONDED BY
CHAIR KUYKENDALL: PASSED (6-0)**

B. Presentation & Discussion Regarding Vet-Connect Neighborhood Town Hall

Update - Steve Woods/Ed Reiger

- a. The event on 9/21/23 was successful.
- b. Considering the first town hall of 2024 to be at Prescott Lakes or another large neighborhood with an HOA.
- c. Consideration of a future town hall in northern Prescott to be a conglomerate of neighborhoods and held at the Centennial Center

C. Update and Discussion Regarding US Vets from Pat Kuykendall on behalf of Bryan Campbell

- a. Will provide a briefing of the Yavapai County Standdown at the next meeting

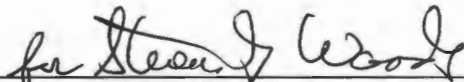
D. VA Update - Craig Furst

- a. The VA is hosting a hiring fair on 10/21
- b. Recently began speaking at adult living centers regarding VA initiatives and information
- c. The VA is taking part in many upcoming events geared towards spreading resources to Veterans, see Craig for a list of events

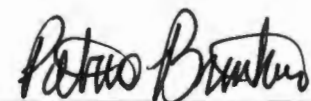
- E. Presentation & Update from Recreation Services Administrative Supervisor Michelle Stacy-Schroeder Regarding the Upcoming Veterans Day Parade
 - a. The Veteran's Day parade is scheduled for 11/11/23 at 10:00 AM
 - b. Prescott Fire Department will be bringing a ladder truck to hoist the American flag over parade participants
 - c. There will be a ceremony and wreath lay to begin the ERAU ROTC's 24-hour change of guard on the Courthouse Square starting at 10:00 AM on 11/10/23, stay tuned for a press release with more details
 - d. As of this time there are 60 entries, there is no fee to participate but the deadline to register is 10/23/23
- F. Announcements
 - a. Vet Court is looking to add an option for misdemeanors
 - b. Kevin Gertz with Arizona@Work is continuing focus on the Disabled Veteran Outreach Program
 - c. Kevin Gertz is also continuing bike collection for redistribution to Veterans that need transportation
 - d. ERAU Student/Veteran/Military clubs are seeing a rise in student participation

4. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to discuss, Chair Kuykendall adjourned the meeting at 9:43 A.M.


PATRICK KUYKENDALL, Chair

ATTEST:


PATRICE BRINKMAN, Staff Liaison