



City of Prescott

Mayor's Veterans Commission

September 6, 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 8:59 AM.

2. ROLL CALL

Brandon Drake – Member

Pat Kuykendall – Chair

Bryan Campbell – Member (Absent)

Bryan Houbeck – Member (Absent)

Craig Furst – Member (Absent)

Richard Otto – Member

Edward Reiger - Member

Jeff Timm - Member

Steve Woods – Member

3. DISCUSSION & ACTION ITEMS

A. Approval of August 2, 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 event on 8/3/23 at Granite Dells Estates was attended by nearly 30 Veterans and their families

b. The next event is scheduled for 9/21/23 at Westwood Neighborhood, flyers have been distributed and announcements have been made

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

a. US Vets Veterans Connection Hub is celebrating their grand opening in Prescott on 9/6/23 at 10:30 AM

D. VA Update – Steve Sample

a. The VA is hosting a hiring fair on 10/21

b. Advertising the PACT Act extension

c. Refocused goal on outreach to rural Veterans

E. Presentation & Update from Pat Kuykendall on behalf of 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. Chairman Kuykendall would like to get a float in the parade to represent the Mayor's Veterans Commission

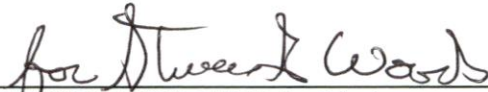
- c. ERAU ROTC will have a 24-hour change of guard on the Courthouse Square starting at 10:00 AM on 11/10/23
- d. The Prescott Chamber of Commerce will be promoting shopping at Veteran owned businesses on Veteran's Day

F. Announcements

- a. Arizona @ Work now offers a 'Veteran Toolkit' that provides financial assistance to help those transitioning into new jobs
- b. The Legion will be hosting a celebration for Ernest A. Love on 9/30/23
- c. YC/REDC to host a Veteran Symposium on 10/25/23 geared towards Military affiliated individuals. The event will have workshops, mock interviews, and a job fair.
- d. Jeff Timm is providing nominations for students to attend Military academies, please send interested parties his way.

4. **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to discuss, Chair Kuykendall adjourned the meeting at 9:49 A.M.


PATRICK KUYKENDALL, Chair

ATTEST:


PATRICE BRINKMAN, Staff Liaison