



County of El Dorado Meeting Minutes Veteran Affairs Commission

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- Todd Smith, District I – Alternate John Poimiroo
Tim Thompson, District II – Alternate Roger Reynolds
Kurt Raffetto, District III – Alternate Jake Parsons
William "Bill" Scrivani, District IV – Alternate Timothy "Tim" Page
Robert "Bob" Sweatt, District V – Alternate Phillip Houseworth
Lance Poinsett, Secretary Ex-Officio
Patricia Morello, Recording Clerk of Veteran Affairs Commission

Thursday, February 14, 2019 @ 1200 hours

Veteran's Memorial Building 130 Placerville Drive Placerville CA 95667

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CALL TO ORDER - PLEDGE ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG 1203

ROLL CALL

Table with 3 columns: District, Present, Absent. Rows include District I (Smith), District II (Thompson, Reynolds), District III (Raffetto, Parsons), District IV (Scrivani, Page), and District V (Houseworth, Sweatt).

INTRODUCTION AND WELCOME OF GUESTS

Austin Wiswell, David Zelinsky, Kathy Hatten, David Frost, Julie LeConte, Patty Moley, Darci Prall, Joseph Olney, Ken Thurman, Tim Whalen, John Hidahl, Karla Fisher.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA AND APPROVAL OF CONSENT CALENDAR (All items on the Consent Calendar are to be approved by one motion unless a Commission member requests separate action on a specific item including moving items to or from the Consent Calendar and adopt the Agenda and the Consent Calendar for discussion. At the appropriate time as called by the Chair, members of the public may make a comment on matters on the Consent Calendar prior to action.

CONSENT CALENDAR

- 1. Recording Clerk of the Veteran Affairs Commission recommending the Commission approve the MINUTES of the regular meeting of January 10, 2019.

2. Poimiroo 1st motion 2nd motion

END OF CONSENT CALENDAR

ACTION ITEMS

- EL DORADO COUNTY CEMETERIES ADVISORY COMMITTEE- Request for veteran participation (Poimiroo), to be continued next month.
 - Mike Roberts-Cemetery of Placerville. Chair of EDCCAC. Looking for veterans to help. They think it would be helpful to have a veteran to represent. Look out for veteran interest.
 - Wants some representation.
 - Consists of 10 active members.
 - Want to love and respect our veterans
 - Wants someone who knows the history.
 - Maybe start with the House Council
 - County website that represents the roles and responsibility
 - Will get all info together to forward to house council.
 - 3-4pm at the library (February 27th) Last Wednesday of the month.
 - Forward to next month for action.

EX-OFFICIO REPORT – RECEIVE AND FILE

COMMITTEE REPORTS – RECEIVE AND FILE

- **TOT (Transient Occupancy Tax)** (Raffetto/Scrivani) Did not meet this month. 11:30 March 14th. Agenda add Joey Olney, Intern.
- **RULES** (Smith/Scrivani) Ordinance change will become final after the first and second reading and publication.
- **LEGISLATIVE** (Raffetto/Smith). At the request of the Commission officers and District I, Board of Supervisor John Hidahl to submit by-laws for County Counsel review to include district supervisors as participants and voting member(s) when commission meetings are in their district.
- **TRANSPORTATION** (Sweatt/Thompson)
- **BUDGET** (Parsons/Poimiroo) No report
- **EDUCATION & EMPLOYMENT** (Sweatt/Houseworth) No report
- **SOCIAL MEDIA** (Scrivani/Poimiroo) Page reached 923; New page likes 5; Shared posts 7; Post engagements 273; Boosted post 1361; Posts 5.
Social Media meeting will occur to talk about transition from Scrivani to another person who is paid.

COMMUNICATIONS' REPORTS – RECEIVE AND FILE

- **AD HOC** (Veterans Memorial Building – Veterans House Council)
- **AMERICAN LEGION SERVICE OFFICER-**
Problems- Discharge issue at Marshall Hospital, homeless vet put on the street and then admitted again. Veteran community organizations are currently seeking housing solutions and reaching out collaboratively with other county departments and organizations. Only Kindness Inc., is seeking to enhance their homeless and incarcerated veteran outreach.
- **EL DORADO COUNTY VETERANS ALLIANCE-**
 - 2018 Annual Report (Poimiroo) was available as handout.

- **EL DORADO VETERAN RESOURCES – A PERMANENT STAND DOWN**
 - 11 clients served.
 - 7 bus pass booklets issued.
 - 1 Motel stay.
 - 12 fuel and grocery cards issued.

NEW BUSINESS

- Kathy Hatten- “Flightless Honor Flight Program” flyer handed out. Visiting Angels – Preferred home care provider is sponsoring an virtual experience event “Honor Flight to Washington DC: Virtual Experience on May 17, 2019, pre-registration required for WWII and Korean Wars Veterans, veterans will be partnered with Vietnam and younger; and are seeking “guardians” to be partnered with these vets, a meet and greet beforehand to get to know each other. Please consider volunteering. .
- ACT- Veteran’s Collaborative organization (Amador-Calaveras-Tuolumne-Mariposa-El Dorado counties) meets throughout Gold Country to provide networking and informational program to facilitate working together. Seeking volunteer to represent the Commission at their monthly meetings, the next El Dorado County location meeting are May 23 and September 29.

PUBLIC FORUM - GOOD OF THE ORDER

- Karla Fisher and Naomi Harris works with military family in Georgetown. She was not aware of MFSG; looking forward to plan meeting for Mini-Stand Down in Georgetown.
- Kent Thurman, Commander of the Military Order Purple Heart, which covers El Dorado and surrounding counties is proposing to work with Board of Supervisors to designate El Dorado County as a Purple Heart County. No cost to the tax payers, the Chapter will cover expenses, add to next month agenda.
- Tim Whalen- Vet Center is looking for space to hold PTSD individual counseling sessions, especial for veterans who can’t make it down to Citrus Heights. Looking for 2 days a month, every other Monday. Supervisor Hidahl will inquire to County Facilities to verify improvement to the Veteran Memorial Building to provide a safe space for these sessions.
- Lance Poinsett, is looking for a way to present service awards and medals currently in our repository. Patty Moley announced a way to cross check the lists from flightless flight and the list of medals provided from Veteran Affairs office, continue to next meeting.

NEXT MEETING LOCATION, DATE & TIME

Veterans Memorial Building, 130 Placerville Drive, Placerville CA 95667, meeting on Thursday, March 14, 2019 at 1200 hours.

ADJOURNMENT 1302 hours.