



County of El Dorado
Meeting Minutes
Veteran Affairs Commission

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 Robert “Bob” Sweatt, District V – Alternate Phillip Houseworth
 Lance Poinsett, Secretary Ex-Officio

Patricia Morello, Recording Clerk of Veteran Affairs Commission

Thursday, August 9, 2018 @ 12:00 noon
Veterans Memorial Building
130 Placerville Drive, Placerville CA 95667

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CALL TO ORDER - PLEDGE ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG 1200 hours

ROLL CALL

District	Present	Absent
I	Poimiroo, Smith <small>(arrived 12:14)</small>	
II	Reynolds	Thompson
III	Raffetto, Parsons	
IV	Scrivani, Page	
V	Sweatt	Houseworth

INTRODUCTION AND WELCOME OF GUESTS

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 July 12, June 14, and May 10, 2018, approve with clerical revisions, continue next month.

2. Secretary Ex-Officio recommending the Commission approves the payment of mileage reimbursement claims for August; announced that future mileage reimbursements will be processed quarterly beginning fiscal year 18-19 (July-Aug-Sept; Oct-Nov-Dec; Jan-Feb-Mar; Apr-May-Jun).

District	Name	Amount
I	Smith	
	Poimiroo	
II	Thompson	
	Reynolds	
III	Raffetto	
	Parsons	
IV	Scrivani	
	Page	
V	Sweatt	
	Houseworth	
	Total	

END OF CONSENT CALENDAR

ACTION ITEMS

- Award TOT Mini Grant Application, motion to approve by John Poimiroo, Roger Reynolds seconded, approved.

Grant #	Organization Name	Grant Title	Amount Requested	Award Amount
1	El Dorado Arts Council	Veterans' Voices Writing Workshop	3,500	3,500
2	El Dorado Post 119 American Legion	Veteran's Service Officer Assistance Grant 18/19	3,500	3,500
3	Elder Options	Providing Veteran Transportation Out of county VA Facilities	2,500	2,500
4	Food Bank of El Dorado County	No Vet Goes Hungry Program	3,500	3,500
5	Heritage Flyers Foundation	Flights for Vets	3,500	0.00
6	NAMI El Dorado County	NAMI Kiosks & Educational Recovery Information	3,500	0.00
7	Only Kindness, Inc.	Veterans Supportive Services	3,500	3,500
8	Sierra Chaplaincy	Chaplaincy Veteran Family Support Program	3,500	3,500
9	Sierra State Parks Foundation	Veteran's Free Park Pass Program	2,150	0.00
10	South Lake Tahoe Cancer League	Transportation for Veteran Cancer Treatment	3,500	3,500
11	Tahoe Coalition for the Homeless	SLT Warm Room Serving Veterans	3,500	3,500
12	Episcopal Church of Our Savior	Veteran's Assistance Grant 18/19	3,500	3,500
13	The Fregoso Outdoor Foundation	Fregoso Veteran's Grant	3,500	0.00
14	Toccatta Tahoe Chorus & Orchestra	Veteran's Free Admission May/June 2018	2,000	0.00
15	Windows To My Soul	Veteran's Support Program 2018	3,500	3,500
	REQUEST AMOUNT		48,650	
	AWARD AMOUNT			34,000

EX-OFFICIO REPORT – Receive and file. Request all committee reports in writing (end of month) for inclusion to the office file records. Administrative and fiscal workflows are still in integration process, past due mileage checks should be coming soon.

COMMITTEE REPORTS –

- **TOT (Transient Occupancy Tax)** (Raffetto/Scrivani) Discussion, update and reformat the mini-grant guidelines, continue to next month meeting scheduled to start at 11:30.
- **RULES** (Smith/Scrivani)
 - By-Laws update Lance Poinsett, review completed by county counsel, final draft to be on next month agenda for final approval; after by-laws will go through new in-house process for Board of Supervisor agenda item.
- **LEGISLATIVE** (Raffetto/Smith) – Discussion. In 2004, Veteran Affairs was listed as an endorser; currently we are still awaiting county counsel opinion for Commission endorsement. We believe the Board of Supervisors fully supports this Measure J, possible proposal to endorse a proclamation of good faith and integrity to support the veterans of El Dorado County by this measure. Brian Veerkamp fully intends to hold up its 2004 promise. John Poimiroo will follow up. The intent is to support Measure J, which is an increase to TOT formula, we estimate 12% increase overall.
- **TRANSPORTATION** (Sweatt/Thompson) Discussion. Van is on display outside.
- **BUDGET** (Parsons/Poimiroo) – Mileage reimbursements will be processed quarterly.
- **EDUCATION & EMPLOYMENT** (Sweatt/Houseworth)
- **SOCIAL MEDIA** (Scrivani/Poimiroo) – Receive and file report

COMMUNICATIONS' REPORTS

- **AD HOC** (Veterans Memorial Building – Veterans House Council) – Receive and file minutes June, no July report received.
- **AMERICAN LEGION SERVICE OFFICER-** Receive and file
- **FRIENDS OF THE VETERANS MONUMENT** – Discussion. Meeting to be scheduled with HHSa for clarification of allocations and mini-grant processes. September 24, 2018 is the Salute To Valor Golf Tournament, asking for volunteers. Veteran's Day in commemoration of the November 1941 WW2 Bomber Crash in the rugged Sierra Nevada near Tells Peak El Dorado National Forest, a plaque will be displayed in memory of those who perished. Veteran of the Year criteria published, invite fellow Commissioners to participate in the judging, we are looking for a veteran who served, sacrificed and/or has done extraordinary things for El Dorado County Veterans.
- **EL DORADO VETERAN RESOURCES – A PERMANENT STAND DOWN** – Request for written report prior to meetings. Tim Page, van coordinator, is actively seeking volunteer drivers. The future hope is this van transportation project and volunteers will undergo a certification process through the VA and possibly fall under their vehicle maintenance and fuel cost coverage. Did everyone see the Mountain Democrat article??

NEW BUSINESS

PUBLIC FORUM - GOOD OF THE ORDER

- Bill Schultz reports that Kathleen Elems, Veterans Art Program, coordinated the artworks of 50 artists display show at the Pentagon, received permission to display at the county building through September stop by and see it.
- Lance Poinsett reports the new county financial system is underway and all vendor payments have been delayed.

NEXT MEETING LOCATION, DATE & TIME

12 noon on September 13, 2018, Veterans Memorial Building, 130 Placerville Drive, Placerville CA 95667

ADJOURNMENT 1352 hours.