## VETERANS ADVISORY COMMITTEE REGULAR MEETING March 18, 2023 10:00 AM

## **AGENDA**

| 1. | Meeting | Called | to | Order | at |  | a.m. |
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## 2. Chairman's Statement

In compliance with the Open Public Meeting Act, the notice requirements have been satisfied. Meeting dates are confirmed at the Annual Meeting. Notices of this meeting will be posted on two municipal public notice bulletin boards, published on the website for the Borough of Bergenfield and the website for the Veterans Advisory Committee and on file in the Office of the Borough Clerk. In case of an emergency, go to the nearest emergency exit where you are seated. Please turn off all cell phones

## 3. Roll Call

| Roll Call                     | Present | Absent | Excused |
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| Edgar Garcia, Member          |         |        |         |
| Thomas Lang, Member           |         |        |         |
| Rafael Marte, Council Liaison |         |        |         |
| Richard Morf, Member          |         |        |         |
| Dina Moore, Member            |         |        |         |
| Willie Moree Jr, Member       |         |        |         |
| Dr. Samuel Paul, Chaplin      |         |        |         |
| Fred Sahlberg, Member         |         |        |         |
| Wilfred Selby, Member         |         |        | ···     |
| Joseph Sokol, Member          |         |        |         |
| John Smith, Chairman          |         |        |         |
| Benjamin Whaley, Member       |         |        |         |
| Amos White, Member            |         |        |         |
| Warren Williams, Secretary    |         |        |         |

- 4. Flag Salute
- 5. Invocation (Chaplin)
- 6. Agenda Changes (Additions/Deletion or Revisions)

| 7. Approval of Minutes (February 2023)   |
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| Motion Offered by and Second by to approve minutes for February  |
| 18, 2023, Regular Committee Meeting minutes to be and published on the website for the Veterans  |
| Advisory Committee, All present voting in favor  |
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| 8. Treasury Report (February 2023) The suggest belong of funds excitable in 2 086 62. There were \$200.00 denotions to noil for 10 USO   |
| The current balance of funds available is 2,086.63. There were \$200.00 donations to paid for 10 USO Dance tickets and no other expenses or billing transactions during this reporting period of February 18, 2023 - March 18, 2023. Motion Offered by and Second by |
| 2023 - March18, 2023. <b>Motion Offered</b> by and Second by to approve the committee's treasury report for the period of February 18, 2023 through March 18, 2023. All present voting in favor and none oppose.   |
| 9. Presentation/ Correspondence  |
| A. Presentation:   |
| 1. Welcome Councilman Marc Pascual as Committee Liaison  |
| 2. Farwell Councilman Rafael Marte as New Appointed County Commissioner  |
| B. Correspondence:   |
| 1. DAV Van -Transportation for Veterans. (VA Guidelines)   |
| 2. New Jersey Honor Flight for Veterans  |
| 10. Unfinished Business  |
| A. Vietnam Veteran Lapel Pin Presentation (Update)   |
| B. 2023 Grand Marshal Biographical Summary (Peter Mathews) Update  |
| C. 2023 Memorial Day Ceremony and Parade (Update)  |
| 11. New Business   |
| 12. Good of the Order  |
| A. USO Dance (AAR)   |
| B. Veterans Service Assistance (Update)  |
| C. PACT ACT Enrollment Event (Pending)   |
| 13. Verbal Communications  |
| 14. Legislative Bills Update   |
| A. NJ Legislative Bills  |
| 1. (S522/S1451 & A888/A1649) Letter Campaign to Elected Leaders  |
| 2. (S2285 & A3604) Upgrade Paramus and Menlo Park Homes wards  |
| 3. (A2493 & A2722) signed into law by Governor Murphy as of March 10, 2023.  |
| B. Congressional Bills   |
| 1. (HR1139) Governing Unaccredited Reps Defrauding VA Benefits Act and   |
| 2. (S344) Receive DOD Retirement pay and VA Disability Compensation without offset.  |
| 15. Adjournment  |
| Motion Offered by and Second by to adjourn the meeting. The  |
| next schedule committee meeting will be on Saturday, April 15th, 2023, time-10:00AM, at the VFW Post   |
| There being no further business to come before the Veterans Committee. This meeting was adjourned at   |
| PM.  |