

**SUMMARY MINUTES**

**Veterans Advisory Board Meeting  
February 17, 2022 – 5:30 P.M.  
Flamingo Park Meeting Hall**

**A. CALL TO ORDER BY: Thaddeus Hamilton, Chair at 5:30 P.M.**

**B. ROLL CALL**

Thaddeus Hamilton, Chair  
Ana Barbosa – **Absent Excused**  
Stanley Bostic – **Absent Excused**  
Lisa Dunkley – **Absent Not Excused**  
Kenton Isackson – **Absent Not Excused**  
Robert Latimer  
Stanley Leibowitz  
Eshia McLymont  
Norman Rothfeld  
Loretta Young

Emilie Smith – Deputy City Manager  
Stephanie Joseph – Administrative Support IV

**C. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND MOMENT OF SILENCE**

**D. OPEN PUBLIC DISCUSSION**

**E. APPROVAL OF JANUARY 20, 2022 MINUTES**

Member Hamilton asked for a motion to approve the January 20, 2022 minutes, a motion was made by Member Leibowitz and was seconded by Member Young, and the Board approved unanimously.

**F. OLD BUSINESS**

**a. Update on Memo for Memorial Program at Veterans Park**

Emilie spoke with the City Attorney regarding the Board restrictions with regards to the Memorial Brick Program. She is making some updates to the proposed program to ensure that it aligns with the City Code.

Emilie suggested to have the City Social Worker distribute the proceeds of the program to families in need.

## **G. NEW BUSINESS**

Member Hamilton informed the Board that N95 masks are available free of charge at local Walgreens pharmacies.

Member McLymont gave an update on the Veterans Health Administration (VA) issue and explained that the situation was resolved.

Member Hamilton informed the Board about Tricare For Life which can assist Veterans with the remaining balance of a prescription. The Board discussed the qualifications in order to receive Tricare. Member Thaddeus would like to get the information out to other Veterans.

Member Young informed the Board that the Sunrise Legion posts useful information related to Veterans on their website. <http://www.sunrisepost365.org/>.

Emilie suggested that the Board to create a one-page flyer with information, which can include website links and phone numbers that may be useful. The flyer can be called Veterans Resources.

Member Rothfeld explained the issue he encountered at the VA which restricted him from receiving services due to his income. Member McLymont recommended for Member Rothfeld to take a means test. Member McLymont also informed the Board to reach out to Veteran Service Officers if they have questions regarding qualifications.

## **H. BOARD MEMBERS DISCUSSION**

Member Hamilton provided information on the UNCF leadership Luncheon.

Emilie informed the Board that Robert Passarelli resigned from the Board.

Member Hamilton suggested for the Board to send Thank You letters to members of the Board that resign. Emilie indicated that the Board can draft a letter for the Board to review.

The Board would like to move back to City Hall to host Board Meetings.

**I. NEXT BOARD MEETING: THURSDAY, MARCH 17, 2022**

Location: Flamingo Park Meeting Hall  
Address: 12855 NW 8th Street

**J. ADJOURNMENT AT 6:20 P.M.**

Meeting was adjourned by Member Hamilton. Member Young made a motion and Member Rothfeld seconded the motion. The Board approved unanimously.

Transcribed by: Stephanie Joseph, Board Secretary/ *Stephanie Joseph*

If a person decides to appeal any decision made by the board, agency, or commission with respect to any matter considered at such meeting or hearing, he/she will need a record of the proceedings, and that, for such purpose, he may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based. F.S.S. 286.0105.