

SUMMARY MINUTES

Veterans Advisory Board Meeting August 17, 2023 – 5:30 P.M. City Hall – Everglades Room

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

B. ROLL CALL

Thaddeus Hamilton, Chair
Brenda Covin Senior
Stanley Bostic
Mark Shultz
Kenton Isackson
Robert Latimer
Stanley Leibowitz
Eshia McLymont
Norman Rothfeld
Lance Dickman
Loretta Young

Mark Lubelski – City Manager
Stephanie Joseph – Administrative Assistant I
Officer David Forteza – Liaison for the City of Sunrise
Police Department

C. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND MOMENT OF SILENCE

D. OPEN PUBLIC DISCUSSION

E. APPROVAL OF JULY 20, 2023 MINUTES

Chair Hamilton asked for a motion to approve the July 20, 2023 minutes, a motion was made by Member Bostic and was seconded by Member Dickman, and the Board approved unanimously.

F. OLD BUSINESS

a. Former Chief Rosa Veteran's Appreciation letter

The Board passed around the appreciation letter to sign for Chief Rosa.

G. NEW BUSINESS

a. 9/11 Ceremony

Mark provided information regarding the 9/11 ceremony. The ceremony will be taking place at the Civic Center Theatre on Monday, September 11, 2023, at 8:30 a.m.

H. BOARD MEMBER'S DISCUSSION

Member Isackson visited Fred Perkins's vehicles for Veterans Day and encouraged all Board members visit Mr. Perkins's site. Member Isackson took photos of some vehicles to show the Board. Mr. Perkins would bring the vehicles that could start the day of the event and requested not to have a police escort for the vehicles from Davie to Sunrise. Member Isackson also inquired about a K9 demonstrations from the Police Department for the Veterans Day event. Mark will speak to Emilie to determine if an agreement is required for Mr. Perkins.

Mr. Perkin's vehicles are available to view on Sundays.

Address: 5275 SW 106th Ave Davie, FL

Phone Number: (954)647-4799

Member Dickman provided information regarding the Tunnel To Towers 5k run/walk event which will be held in Sunrise this year. Member Dickman will be volunteering at the event this year and encouraged the Board to attend. Date: September 9th, 2023.

Mark provided an update regarding Veterans Park. The City has taken over all projects from the contractor including Welleby Park, Sportsplex Park and the Senior Center. At the September 12th, 2023 City Commission meeting, the City will be presenting to the Commission a contract to award the work to a new contractor to complete Veterans Park. The contractor that the City is recommending is MBR construction. Mark is confident that this contractor will deliver a great park for the residents of Sunrise.

Member Bostic asked if Veterans Park will be redesigned. Mark explained that the park was designed to provide a reflection area which is towards the front of the park, which families are required to walk through in order to get to the playground. This layout also encourages a learning experience for children as they head towards the playground. Mark also explained that there are different types of

playground equipment for all children with most of the playground being boundless and handicap accessible.

Officer Forteza inquired about the brick program. Mark explained that the brick program will still be taking place when the park opens. An annual picnic at Veterans Park is also in the plans once the park opens.

Chair Hamilton informed the Board about the Volunteer Appreciation Celebration hosted by the City of Sunrise on August 24th, 2023 at 5:30 pm. Chair Hamilton encouraged the Board to attend the event.

Chair Hamilton shared information regarding Art Serve on East Sunrise Blvd. Art Serve created an expo to honor Veterans and Chair Hamilton had the pleasure to work with Art Serve to set up the Tuskegee Airmen exhibit. Chair Hamilton encouraged the Board to attend.

I. NEXT BOARD MEETING: THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 2023

Location: Everglades Room (**New City Hall**)
Address: 10770 West Oakland Park Boulevard

J. ADJOURNMENT AT 6:11 P.M.

Member Kenton made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Member Leibowitz seconded the motion. The Board approved unanimously. The meeting was adjourned.

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

If a person decides to appeal any decision made by the board, agency, or commission concerning any matter considered at such meeting or hearing, he/she will need a record of the proceedings, and, 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.