

**Veterans Advisory Committee**  
**Thursday, January 10<sup>th</sup>, 2019, 5:30 P.M.**  
**Council Chambers**  
**City of Bonita Springs**  
**9101 Bonita Beach Road, City Council Chambers**  
**Bonita Springs, Florida 34135**

**AGENDA**

I. MEETING CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order at 5:30 p.m.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mr. Cline led the Pledge of Allegiance

III. ROLL CALL

**Present**

Bobby Hunter  
Paul Canning  
Larry Ellis  
Kathi O'Hearn  
Ron Winsett  
Scott Cline  
Adam A. Prentki III  
Bob Gillette

**Staff**

Kendra Gilreath

**Absent**

Jan Farrington

IV. PUBLIC COMMENT

No public present.

V. MEMORIAL/VETERANS DAY DISCUSSION

Ms. Gilreath asked the Committee if there was anything they would like to change for next year.

Mr. Prentki recommended looking at the musical tribute portion of the program. Mr. Gillette said he would try to have a recommendation for next meeting.

VI. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM THE VETERANS ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING OF November 8th, 2018.

Note: The Bells that were supposed to ring for the Bells of Peace did not go off at the appointed time. Going forward the Committee discussed different options that may work better.

***Mr. Prentki made a motion to accept the November 8, 2018, minutes, Mr. Cline seconded; motion passed unanimously.***

VII. UPDATE ON BRICK SALES

Mr. Hunter reported that they installed 15 bricks last weekend and found some more bricks that need to be replaced. Mr. Hunter will email Ms. Vallante the list of bricks that need to be replaced. Mr. Hunter asked the Committee to let him know if they notice a brick that needs in need of replacement.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Gillette said he has a soft spot in his heart for Amputee Warriors softball team. David VanSleet, the co-founder, lives in Estero. Now they are part of the Louisville Sluggers. Mr. Gillette would like to have them speak next Veterans Day. He would like to make it a motion to get it on their schedule. Mr. Gillette recommended Carlo Adame and Matt Kinsey, both United States Army, both amputees. He knows them personally and has heard them speak.

***Mr. Gillette made a motion to recommend Carlo Adame and Matt Kinsey as speakers at the next Veterans Day ceremony, Ms. O'Hearn seconded the motion; motion passed unanimously.***

Ms. O'Hearn said it might help generate some interest in the team if the whole team attended to support the speakers. Mr. Gillette said yes, the whole team would be there.

Mr. Hunter attended the open house at Bonita Springs High School and asked the assistant principal about Veterans getting discounts for high school games and events. Mr. Hunter said she thought that was a great idea and will look into it. Mr. Hunter will follow-up with her. Mr. Gillette said he spoke to Mr. Slachta and he knows someone on the Board of Education to reach out to.

IX. OLD BUSINESS

No old business to discuss.

X. NEXT MEETING DATE

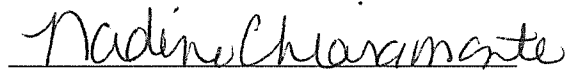
The next meeting date would fall on Valentine's day. The Committee decided to skip the February date and hold the next meeting on March 14, 2019.

Next meeting date confirmed for March 14, 2019

XI. ADJOURNMENT

***Man speaking made a motion to adjourn, man speaking seconded; all in favor and meeting adjourned at 5:49 p.m.***

Respectfully submitted,



Nadine Chiamonte, Office Assistant

APPROVED VETERANS ADVISORY COMMITTEE:



Bobby Hunter, Chairman

DATE: 06-13-19

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