

Veterans Advisory Committee
Thursday, June 13th, 2019, 5:30 P.M.
Council Chambers
City of Bonita Springs
9101 Bonita Beach Road, City Council Chambers
Bonita Springs, Florida 34135

MINUTES

I. MEETING CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order at 5:32 p.m.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

III. ROLL CALL

Present

Paul Canning

Scott Cline

Jan Farrington

Adam Prentki

Ron Winsett

Kathi O’Hearn

Bobby Hunter

Staff

Kendra Gilreath

Amy Quaremba

IV. PUBLIC COMMENT

No public present

V. FLAG DAY DISCUSSION

Mr. Prentki reported that Flag Day would be on June 14, 2019 at 3 p.m. at the American Legion. Weather permitting the ceremony will be outside. Ms. Farrington stated that the ceremony would include:

 Pledge of Allegiance

 Prayer

 Speech on Prayer

VI. PATRIOT DAY PLANNING

Posting of the colors – Bonita Fire

Pledge of Allegiance – TBD at the next meeting. Ms. Gilreath reported that last year they had the Boy Scout troop and she will reach out to see if they can do it this year. (Table until next meeting.)

Mr. Prentki will check with the chaplain to see if he is available.

Ms. Gilreath said they usually reach out to the Middle School for essays on “What Patriotism Means to Me” Contest. The students, whose essays are selected, get a limo ride from the school to the ceremony. Ms. Farrington would like to help with this because she is in charge of the education committee at the American Legion Auxiliary, they do a lot of things in the schools, and that falls under Americanism.

Proclamation – Ms. Gilreath said they would present it during the program.

Guest Speaker – TBD (Table until next meeting)

Poem/Reading – Jan Farrington

Amazing Grace – Audrey Rodriguez sang last year or Lee County Drums. Mr. Prentki suggested and Pipes (Guns and Hoses). Ms. Gilreath can reach out to Ms. Rodriguez to see if she would be available. Mr. Prentki will check to see if Guns and Hoses are available.

Laying of the Wreath – Bonita Fire (City will provide the Wreaths)

Ring of the Bell

Gun Salute – Ask Mr. Hunter to see if LCSO is available for the gun salute.

Taps – Between Mr. Cline and Mr. Prentki, they will make it work

Invocation – Mr. Prentki will get with the Chaplain on this

VII. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM THE VETERANS ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING OF May 9th, 2019.

Mr. Prentki made a motion to accept the minutes from the May 9, 2019, Ms. Farrington seconded; motion passed unanimously.

VIII. UPDATE ON BRICK SALES

No update on brick sales. Ms. Farrington reported that she had a call from someone who wanted to buy new bricks so she told them to come to City Hall.

IX. NEW BUSINESS

No new business

X. OLD BUSINESS

Mr. Prentki thanked everyone who pitched in and helped at the Memorial Day service, and stated the service was very well done. Ms. Farrington said that she received comments on the casket portion that people felt it was very moving. Ms. Farrington commented that the program flowed well. Mr. Prentki said Ms. Farrington's speech was outstanding.

XI. NEXT MEETING DATE

Ms. Gilreath asked if they wanted to meet on July 11 or push it to August 8, 2019. After discussion, the Committee decided not to have a meeting in July and scheduled **August 8, 2019** for the next meeting.

XII. ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Prentki made a motion to adjourn, Mr. Canning seconded; meeting adjourned at 5:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Nadine Chiamonte, Office Assistant

APPROVED VETERANS ADVISORY COMMITTEE:



Bobby Hunter, Chairman

DATE: 11-14-19

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