

**CITY OF PEORIA, ARIZONA
VETERAN MEMORIAL BOARD
RIVERSIDE CONFERENCE ROOM
October 4, 2018**

A **Regular Meeting** of the Veterans Memorial Board of the City of Peoria, Arizona was convened at 8866-A W. Thunderbird Road in open and public session at the Rio Vista Recreation Center at 5:03 p.m.

Members Present: Tad Snidecor, Russ Lachance, Anthony Irby, Eric Gagomiros, Terry Brezina and Anthony VanGoethem

Members Absent: Milan (Luke) Lukich

Municipal Officials Present: John Sefton, Community Services Director; Bill Moss, Special Events Supervisor; Bill Patena, Councilmember; Karen Halstead, Council Assistant and Cree Thul, Lead Customer Service Rep

Audience: 0

1) CONSENT AGENDA: A motion was made by Anthony VanGoethem to approve the consent agenda items including the absences and the minutes from the August 2, 2018 meeting. Eric Gagomiros seconded the motion, and upon vote, the motion carried unanimously.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1) HONOR WALL UPDATE

Bill Moss shared with the board that over 70 names were submitted to the engravers and he will meet with applicants with the proof. No action taken

2) 2018 VETERANS DAY EVENT

Bill Moss shared with the board that this year's event would be smaller than previous years. Glendale Pipes and Drums will be attending, approximately 15 minute speaking program by Mayor and Council, unveiling of the new names for the Honor Wall and breakfast. The city's Public Information Office has reached out to John McCain's family to discuss the possibility of honoring the late senator and they are waiting for a response. The event will take place on November 12th (observed holiday) at 8:00am. The Rally Point Run will take place on November 10th.

No action taken

NEW BUSINESS

NONE

CALL TO THE PUBLIC: (NON-AGENDA ITEMS): None

REPORT FROM STAFF: John Sefton shared with the board that there was a recent voiced concern that the Peoria Veterans Memorial does not honor the Merchant Marines. In fact, the granite face of the memorial does depict the Merchant Marine logo, and individuals are eligible to be recognized on the Honor Wall. John Sefton also mentioned that the City is looking into ways to honor and recognize late, Senator John McCain.

REPORT FROM BOARD MEMBERS:

- Eric Gagomiros- 11/10/18 Free BBQ at Arrowhead Harley-Davidson
- Russ Lachance- 11/15/18 Westbrook Military Dinner is sold out
- Anthony Irby shared he is the Grand Marshall for Phoenix's Veterans Day Parade
- Terry Brezina shared West Mec is working with Dr. Hines on a mobile clinic.
- Tad Snidecor shared 2018 EMCC Veterans Day program

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 5:39 p.m.

Tad Snidecor, Chair

Cree Thul, Lead Customer Service Rep