



VETERANS MEMORIAL BOARD

Rio Vista Recreation Center Riverside Conference Room

Meeting Minutes for:
January 15, 2013

A meeting of the Veterans Memorial Board of the City of Peoria, Arizona was convened at 8866-A Thunderbird Road in open and public session in the East Brook Conference Room at 5:04 p.m.

Members present: Anthony Irby, Ken Lambert, Benjamin Geiger, Lisa Wakefield and Chuck Strange

Members absent: Reed Webber and Joe McCord

Municipal officials present: Kirk Haines (Parks Manager) and Laura Oxford (Admin Asst. II)

Audience: None

Notes: The order in which the items appear in the minutes is not necessarily the order in which they were discussed at the meeting.

CONSENT AGENDA

All items listed with a "C" are considered to be routine by the Veterans Memorial Board and may be enacted by one motion.

1C) Discussion and possible action to approve/excuse members' absence from the Monday, December 10, 2012: Reed Webber and Ken Lambert.

2C) Discussion and possible action to approve the minutes of Monday, December 10, 2012

A motion was made by CHUCK STRANGE to approve the consent agenda. The motion was seconded by KEN LAMBERT. The motion carried unanimously.

REGULAR AGENDA

OLD BUSINESS:

1) Focus Group Meetings

CHUCK STRANGE confirmed with the Elks Club on 107th and Union Hills the Focus Group Meeting is scheduled for March 26, 2013 at 12 pm, 75 people are expected to attend. BEN GEIGER thanked KEN LAMBERT and CHUCK STRANGE for all their hard work in the past year with the focus groups and gathering data to find out how to reach out to our Veterans. He also thanked KIRK HAINES for all the City of Peoria services that have been provided. BEN GEIGER suggested changing the meeting name to SERVICE OUTREACH MEETINGS. No action taken.

2) Veterans Day Event and 5K Run

ANTHONY IRBY confirmed the Wounded Warrior Soldier Run would like to combine with our 5K event. KIRK HAINES will present this idea to the City of Peoria for approval. Discussion was brought up about the race path being wheelchair accessible, maybe break up into groups with different start times and start an hour later at 8:00 am. KEN LAMBERT had asked if posters could be made and displayed in local businesses for advertisement for the run. No action taken

3) Discounts for Current and Former Military Personnel

KIRK HAINES provided the Board with a packet of information to handout to local businesses which also included a sample plaque that could be displayed at their business as well as a window sticker, indicating they are a part of the discount program. No action taken

CALL TO THE PUBLIC: NONE

REPORTS FROM STAFF:

KIRK HAINES reported to the board that REED WEBBER will be returning. He will be in attendance at the next meeting. He also brought proofs for a banner that will be for events to promote the Veterans Memorial Board.

REPORTS FROM BOARD:

ANTHONY IRBY spoke about the Arizona Stand Down event that will be held March 8, 9 & 10. It is the largest in the country and volunteers are needed, their website www.arizonastanddown.org. KEN LAMBERT AND ANTHONY IRBY will have a table representing the Veterans Memorial Board.

KEN LAMBERT spoke about American Patriot Act has discounted Phoenix Suns tickets for \$25 on February 1, 2013.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business to come before the Board, the Veterans Memorial Board meeting adjourned at 6:00 p.m.

Ben Geiger, Chairmen

Laura Oxford, Administrative Assistant II