**MEETING MINUTES** 



# County of El Dorado Meeting Minutes Veteran Affairs Commission

Todd Smith, District I – Alternate John Poimiroo Tim Thompson, District II – Alternate Roger Reynolds Kurt Raffetto, District III – Alternate Jake Parsons William "Bill" Scrivani, District IV – Alternate Amanda Williams Robert "Bob" Sweatt, District V – Alternate Phillip Houseworth Lance Poinsett, Secretary Ex-Officio William E. Schultz, Interim Director, Dept. of Veteran Affairs

Patricia Morello, Recording Clerk of Veteran Affairs Commission

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### Thursday, December 14, 2017 @ 12:00 noon

Veteran Memorial Building 130 Placerville Drive, Placerville CA 95667

Public Testimony will be received on each agenda item as it is called. Principal party on each side of an issue (where applicable) is allocated Persons wishing to speak on a Consent Calendar item are requested to advise the Chair or Clerk prior to 8:30 a.m. The applicatle) is allocated 10 minutes to speak; individual comments are limited to 3 minutes; and individuals representing a group are allocated 5 minutes. Matters not on the agenda may be addressed by the general public during the Open Forum. Public comments during Open Forum are limited to 3 minutes per person. The Commission reserves the right to waive said rules by a majority vote.

All persons interested are invited to attend and be heard or to write their comments to the Veteran Affairs Commission in written correspondence delivered to the Commission at, or prior to, the public hearing. Any written correspondence should be directed to Department of Veteran Affairs, 130 Placerville Drive, Suite B, Placerville CA 95667. Materials related to an item on this Agenda submitted to the El Dorado County Veteran Affairs Commission after distribution of the agenda packet are available for inspection during normal business hours in the public viewing packet located at the El Dorado County Department of Veteran Affairs, 130 Placerville Drive, Suite B, Placerville CA 95667.

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## CALL TO ORDER 1201 hrs. - PLEDGE ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG ROLL CALL

	Present	Absent	
District I	Poimiroo	Smith	
District II	Thompson, Reynolds		
District III	Raffetto	Parsons	
District IV	Scrivani	Williams (status)	
District V	Sweatt	Houseworth	

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#### INTRODUCTION AND WELCOME OF GUESTS

Julie LeConte, MFSG-EDVR; Lauren Hernandez, MFSG-EDVR; Lori Walker, HHSA; Ken Thurman; David Zelinsky, American Legion Post 119.

#### ADOPTION OF AGENDA AND APPROVAL OF CONSENT CALENDAR (All items on the Consent

Calendar are to be approved by one motion unless a Commission member requests separate action on a specific item including moving items to or from the Consent Calendar and adopt the Agenda and the Consent Calendar for discussion. At the appropriate time as called by the Chair, members of the public may make a comment on matters on the Consent Calendar prior to action.

#### CONSENT CALENDAR

- 1. Recording Clerk of the Veteran Affairs Commission recommending the Commission approve the MINUTES of the regular meeting of November 9, 2017, correction typo in Good of the Order section.
- 2. Secretary Ex-Officio recommending the Commission approves the payment of mileage reimbursement claims for December.

District	Name	
1	Smith	
	Poimiroo	21.50
11	Thompson	0
	Reynolds (Sept-Oct-Dec)	100.37
III	Raffetto	0
	Parsons	0
IV	Scrivani	12.83
	Williams	0
V	Sweatt	65.93
	Houseworth	
	Total	200.63

John Poimroo motion to approve agenda and consent calendar as presented above Roger Reynolds seconded, approved.

#### END OF CONSENT CALENDAR

#### **ACTION ITEMS**

**EX-OFFICIO REPORT** – *Receive and file.* 

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS –**

1. TOT (Transient Occupancy Tax) (Raffetto/Scrivani) Recommendations to award Mini-Grant applications received for Cycle #2. Verbiage clarification/addition on contract for Military Family Support Group "for annual operating expenses and veteran outreach and support".

1	South Lake Tahoe Cancer League	3,500
2	City of Placerville Community Pride Committee	1,435
3	El Dorado County Firesafe Council	3,410
4	Episcopal Church of Our Savior of Placerville	3,500
5	Only Kindness, Inc.	3,500
6	Progress House, Inc.	3,500
Total		18,845

Tim Thompson motion to award Cycle #2 Mini-Grant applications as presented above and verbiage clarification, Bob Sweatt seconded the motion, approved.

#### Allotment for next year:

1	Friends of the Monument – Upkeep	13,000
2	Friends of the Monument – Shade Structure	10,000
3	Folsom Lake College – Veterans Resource Center	5,000
4	Lake Tahoe Community College – Veterans	17,000
	Resource Center	
5	Snowline Hospice – Veteran Care Program	25,000
6	Folsom Lake College – Veteran Education Center	35,000
7	Military Family Support Group – Veteran Program	5,000
	Fund	
Total		110,000

Tim Thompson motion to approve allotment and reserve remaining balance \$55,194.00 to fund next year Mini Grant Program Cycle #1 and Cycle #2, Bob Sweatt seconded the motion, approved.

- 2. **RULES** (Smith/Scrivani) No Report
- 3. LEGISLATIVE (Raffetto/Smith) Lance Poinsett will forward Cal-Vet link.
- 4. TRANSPORTATION (Sweatt/Thompson) Van still under repair.
- 5. BUDGET (Parsons/Poimiroo) No report
- 6. EDUCATION & EMPLOYMENT (Sweatt/Houseworth) No report
- 7. SOCIAL MEDIA (Scrivani/Poimiroo) Receive and file.

#### COMMUNICATIONS' REPORTS

- AD HOC (Veterans Memorial Building Veterans House Council) Receive and file
- AMERICAN LEGION SERVICE OFFICER Receive and file.

#### PUBLIC FORUM - GOOD OF THE ORDER

- Local soldier, Staff Sargent Eric Schenck, killed on 12/07/17 in line of duty in South Koera, MFSG providing local memorial service for friends and family on January 5<sup>th</sup>, their website will update information as it becomes available.
- John Poimiroo request Bill Schultz to ask on behalf of the Commissioners to the CAO and/or Board of Supervisors to lower the American Flag at the El Dorado County Memorial Monument for 30 days, all concurred.
- Julie LeConte request to add a brick in honor of SSgt. Eric Schenck, as family circumstances may not have considered this.
- Lance Poinsett will forward two applications (homeless vets) for a brick under the "No Veteran Forgotten".
- Friends of the Veterans will gather for their annual meeting on January 9, 2018 at the El Dorado Center, of Folsom Lake College.
- Email from Phil Houseworth observation of dress code and political/personal speech on Veterans Day at the Memorial Monument. Discussion and suggestion that the Friends of the Monument would create a handout with guideline on dress code and speech decorum for guest speakers.
- Ken Thurman spoke about Veterans Voices, a very diverse writing group, offered his thanks to the Commission and El Dorado Arts Council, for the financial support, they will have an Anthology coming out soon. Quite an achievement for the group.
- Words of appreciation and encouragement given to Lance Poinsett for excellent services provided to veteran from Julie LeConte, Bill Scrivani and David Zelinsky.
- Request to add to agenda template "New Business" placement after Communications Report.

- Salute to Valor event scheduled for September 24, 2018.
- Bill Scrivani requested Veteran Affairs Department follow up with approved By-Laws revision for Board of Supervisors board agenda.
- No T.O.T. committee meeting for January.

#### NEXT MEETING LOCATION, DATE & TIME

12 noon on January 11, 2018, Veteran Memorial Building, 130 Placerville Drive, Placerville CA 95667.

ADJOURNMENT 1245 hours.