



**County of El Dorado**  
**Meeting Minutes**  
**Veteran Affairs Commission**

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 Robert “Bob” Sweatt, District V – Alternate Phillip Houseworth  
 Lance Poinsett, Secretary Ex-Officio

Patricia Morello, Recording Clerk of Veteran Affairs Commission

**Thursday, July 12, 2018 @ 12:00 noon**  
**Veterans Memorial Building**  
**130 Placerville Drive, Placerville CA 95667**

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**CALL TO ORDER - PLEDGE ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG – 1203 hours**

**ROLL CALL**

District	Present	Absent
I	Poimiroo	Smith
II	Reynolds, Thompson	
III	Raffetto	Parsons
IV	Scrivani	Page
V	Sweatt, Houseworth	

**INTRODUCTION AND WELCOME OF GUESTS**

**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 June 14, 2018, clerical errors.

2. Secretary Ex-Officio recommending the Commission approves the payment of mileage reimbursement claims for July. Mileage reimbursement not dispersed, continue to August.

District	Name	Amount
I	Smith	
	Poimiroo	
II	Thompson	
	Reynolds	
III	Raffetto	
	Parsons	
IV	Scrivani	
	Page	
V	Sweatt	
	Houseworth	
	<b>Total</b>	

Agenda approved, June minutes approved with typographic changes.

**END OF CONSENT CALENDAR**

**ACTION ITEMS**

- TOT: What the costs was for the new benches.
  - \$4,000
- Information regarding the bill that would allow college credit for service.- Lance Poinsett
  - Jim K Hill- It can still move forward with or without a sponsor. It's not a dead issue yet.
- Update on By-Laws- Lance Poinsett, continued to August meeting.
- Funds that was allotted to MFSG- Lance Poinsett
  - Sent an email to Lori Walker and Molly to find out where the allocation is.

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

**COMMITTEE REPORTS –**

- **TOT (Transient Occupancy Tax)** (Raffetto/Scrivani) (Receive and file)
  - Mini Grant - discussion
    - 34,000
    - 10 pass, 3 no
  - Fund Allocation – current year
- **RULES** (Smith/Scrivani)
  - By-Laws update Lance Poinsett
- **LEGISLATIVE** (Raffetto/Smith)
- Measure J would increase TOT by 2% to 12%. El Dorado and El Dorado Hills Chambers of Commerce have endorsed the increase
- Kurt, John, and Todd met with Don Ashton, CAO, not only as Commissioners, but as Veterans, and reported there is no guarantee that the County will help veterans and lacking any acknowledgment of support, they could not support Measure J. The

commission representatives are going to set a meeting with County Counsel Michael Ciccozzi, to talk about whether the Commission could support Measure J.

- The VA Maintaining Internal systems and Strengthening Integrated Outside Networks MISSION) Act of 2018, signed into law by the President on June 6, 2018, appropriated \$5.2 billion in mandatory funding for the Veterans Choice Program to continue to provide care to Veterans until the new, consolidated Veterans community Care Program is operational.
- **TRANSPORTATION** (Sweatt/Thompson) no report
- **BUDGET** (Parsons/Poimiroo) no report
- **EDUCATION & EMPLOYMENT** (Sweatt/Houseworth) no report
  - **SOCIAL MEDIA** (Scrivani/Poimiroo) Facebook report, 968 Likes; 970 followers

### COMMUNICATIONS' REPORTS

- **AD HOC** (Veterans Memorial Building – Veterans House Council) – ~~Receive and file minutes~~ no report
- **AMERICAN LEGION SERVICE OFFICER- ~~Receive and file~~
  - New law signed on OTH (Other Than Honorable), you do qualify for 90 days of mental care.
  - Travel reimbursement
  - VA form 29-068
  - Only Kindness is waiting to be reimbursed by the County.**
- **FRIENDS OF THE VETERANS MONUMENT –**
  - The next fundraising Golf Tournament event is September 24, 2018, hoping to raise \$5,000.
  - Vietnam War buttons are in.
  - Veteran's Day in commemoration of the November 1941 WW2 Bomber Crash in the rugged Sierra Nevada near Tells Peak El Dorado National Forest, a plaque will be displayed in memory of those who perished.
  - Veteran's Day, a reading of names of El Dorado County service men.
  - Veteran's Day, hoping to get a military Vietnam era helicopter at the event.
  - Received first contribution toward the "Welcome Home" statue, a 10-year goal.
- **EL DORADO VETERAN RESOURCES – A PERMANENT STAND DOWN –**
  - We are really busy providing services and proud to report making a real difference.
  - We have a lot of "frequent flyers" and will be developing some policies on how handle, our service are meant for triage, not ongoing support.
  - Currently on hold waiting for Transportation for the van.

### NEW BUSINESS

- At the request of constituent by way of Board of Supervisor, Brian Veerkamp, Kurt Raffetto and Julie LeConte planned field trip to view property site; the owner has expressed the desire to build a retreat site for veterans, nice concept and lots of planning ahead.
- Planned Stand Down in September 2019, Veteran Affairs is coordinating with Veteran Memorial Building House Council and service organizations.

**PUBLIC FORUM - GOOD OF THE ORDER**

- Request to Lance for follow up on the allocation to Only Kindness.
- Next TOT meeting, August 9, 2018 starts at 11:30.

**NEXT MEETING LOCATION, DATE & TIME**

12 noon on August 9, 2018, Veterans Memorial Building, 130 Placerville Drive, Placerville CA 95667

**ADJOURNMENT** 1308 hours.