

Clark County Veterans Advisory Board Meeting Minutes

An advisory board to the Clark County Council

November 8, 2018

1300 Franklin Street, Room #680
Vancouver, Washington

Chair: Morris Giesler

Vice Chair: Kelly Jones

Secretary: Bruce Maas

Meeting called to order.

Roll Call: [Bold script indicates presence at meeting]

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American Legion #14

American Legion #176

American Veterans #6

DAV Chapter #4

Korean War Assoc. #321

Marine Corps League #826

VFW #4278

VFW #7824

VFW # 12028

Vietnam Vets #512

Members at Large

PRIMARY

Steve Slegers

Dixie Hotaling

Michael Gibson

John Lovejoy

Morris Giesler

Earl Edwards

Ron Brandon

Shannon Roberts

Bruce Maas

Skip Benge

Greg Whitson

Kelly Jones

Kevin Lawson

James Mead

David Daly

Michael Harding

Bryan McGillis

Michael Langsdorf

ALTERNATE

Patrick Locke

Jonathan Frederick

Frank Hyatt

Jason Atkins

Steve Slegers

Sarah Aktepy

Tonja Wark

Tom Mielke

Clark County Representative: Samantha Whitley

Guests: Judy Russel, Sharon Tyre (Veterans Assistance Center); Michael Torres (Clark County)

October 11, 2018, Meeting Minutes

The minutes were approved on a motion by Steve Slegers that was seconded by James Mead.

Committee Reports

Nominations: The following members expressed interest in serving on the Executive Team in 2019:

Chair: Kelly Jones

Vice Chair: David Daly

Secretary: Bruce Maas

Additional nominations and a vote will be conducted at the December meeting.

Appeals: There were no appeals last month.

Policies and Procedures:

No discussion at this time. Next meeting in January.

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September 2018 Contractor Reports & Fund Report

The fund assisted 58 Veteran households at a cost of \$17,559. The Veterans Assistance Center received 525 Veteran visits, including 205 visits from Veterans who are homeless. No information was reported from the Free Clinic. The Veterans Assistance Fund balance was \$516,006 at the end of the month.

Veterans Assistance Center Update

- The Storm City Roller Girls fundraiser is 5 pm, November 10, at the Clark County Event Center
- Helping our Heroes Telethon, November 26-30, on KPAM AM860
- LaPella Restaurant donating and delivering 15 meals for Veteran families
- Beginning Monday, the Center will have four part-time service officers. WDVA is working on hiring a full-time service officer

Old Business

Report on the Council for the Homeless contract will be distributed next month.

New Business

No discussion at this time.

Open Forum

- Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter 512, and Salmon Creek American Legion Post 176 hosting annual Christmas party, 5 pm, December 8, for Veteran and reserve students and families. Donations are being accepted.
- Veteran hiring fair 9 am – 12 pm, November 14, at the Armed Forces Reserve Center
- Veterans may ride Chelatchie train for \$5 Veterans Day weekend
- Many retailers and restaurants offering Veterans Day specials
- The Veterans Day ceremony is 9 am, November 10, at Providence Academy, the Veterans Day Parade will start at 11 am along Officer's Row.

Adjourn

Meeting adjourned. The next meeting is Thursday, December 13, 2018.