

MINUTES

VETERAN AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

Thursday, November 9, 2023

Centralia City Hall – 4:00 pm

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

III. ROLL CALL

Burris___	Ulen_ <u>X</u> __	Stevens_ <u>X</u> __	Fontanez ___
Mathus_ <u>X</u> __	Moran___	Mulvin_ <u>X</u> __	*Murphy___
Sensel_ <u>X</u> __	Smith_ <u>X</u> __	Sutherland___	*Aarons___
Berning ___			

City Staff –City Clerk – Enke_ X__

IV. PUBLIC COMMENT – Luke Eastin from SCIRPDC introduced himself and provided information about the comprehensive plan that is being created for the City. He noted that he is attending several committee meetings for the City to get a better idea about what each of the committees do for the City.

Members from the DAR were in attendance and provided gift bags of treats to the veterans in attendance in honor of Veterans Day.

V. MINUTES – October 19, 2023

A motion was made to approve the October 19, 2023, minutes by Mathus and second by Sensel. All members present unanimously voted to approve the minutes.

VI. TREASURY REPORT – A motion was made to approve the Treasury Report by Mulvin and second by Ulen. All members present unanimously voted to approve the report. The group discussed the expenses from the Resource Fair which will be included in the next month’s reports.

VII. ONGOING BUSINESS

1. Resource Fair Wrap Up discussion.

The committee thanked everyone for their involvement in the Resource Fair and stated that they were satisfied with the attendance for the 1st year but recommended another date next year for the event to gain additional attendance.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

1. Discussion of Flag placement and installation and removal time

The committee discussed a shorter schedule for the placement of the flags in the summer with a smaller footprint that would mainly be on the main roadways and placement concentrated downtown. Butch Mathus recommended and the committee agreed that this would alleviate the cost of the replacement of flags and poles due to damage from the weather and wear and tear.

2. Discussion of Budget Recommendations for FY 2024

The committee discussed requesting the same funds as they have in years past, but instead of the funds going to the replacement of additional flags and poles, the funds would be used for the placement of flags for each branch of the military to be placed in Fairview Park.

IX. OPEN DISCUSSION

Butch Mathus reviewed the Halloween Parade discussing the transportation and weather that effected the parade.

The committee reviewed the upcoming scheduled meeting dates and determined that they will not be meeting until February next year due to lack of agenda items to discuss during this time.

X. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting by Sensel with a second by Ulen. All members present voted in favor of adjournment and the meeting was adjourned at 4:36 p.m.