

Minutes

VETERAN AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

Thursday, April 8, 2021

Centralia City Hall – 4:00 pm

I. CALL TO ORDER- Mathus at 4:00PM

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE- Mathus

III. ROLL CALL

Burris <u>X</u>	Ulem <u>X</u>	Stevens <u>X</u>	Jones _____
Mathus <u>X</u>	Moran <u>X</u>	Mulvin _____	Murphy _____
Sensel <u>X</u>	Smith _____	Sutherland _____	*Aarons _____

City Staff –Asst City Manager/ Economic Development Director-
Sherman X

IV. PUBLIC COMMENT - None

V. MINUTES – September 10, 2020.

Meetings cancelled in October, November, December of 2020, and January 2021. Lack of quorum February and March 2021.

Motion to Approve: 1st Burris & 2nd Moran Votes: All in Favor

VI. TREASURY REPORT – Motion to Approve: 1st Burris & 2nd Moran

Votes: All in Favor

VII. ONGOING BUSINESS

1. Flagpole, bracket, and flag testing update
 - a. **Mathus said Ulen’s creation is good. Ulen is repairing the equipment that needs repairs.**
2. Ground mounted flags at Fairview Park
 - a. **Ulen and Sensel talked to Pat and mapped out the flag placement at Fairview Park. Pat told Sensel the only potential problem is the hydrant line, but it should not be an issue. Ulen said 70 flags are needed, and Sensel mentioned they can be purchased through the American Legion.**
 - b. **Moran mentioned potential desecration & removal of flags. It was discussed on ways to secure the flags.**
 - c. **Derek was directed to find out how many flags have names on them.**
 - d. **Moran said we need to record the number of flags & the ones that need repairs when we take them down.**

3. Fundraising – June 12th & June 19th
 - a. Vernell said they should fundraise at the Post Office.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

1. Welcome to our newest member DAR Representative Tammy Stevens
2. Veterans' 4th of July parade
 - i. Derek was directed to get the roadblocks and parade to the council for approval.
3. Flag schedule 2021
 - i. Derek was directed to get a copy of the 2021 Flag Schedule to put on the next agenda.
4. Roadblock dates – Already Discussed & Approved
5. Flag retirement with Boy Scouts
 - i. Normally, held at Wamac Park in August & there needs to be another one soon.

IX. OPEN DISCUSSION

1. Tammy said DAR would vote on donating flag money to the Veteran's Affairs Commission.
2. Vernell said we need people to attend meetings or come off & get new members appointed by the Mayor.
 - i. Mathus mentioned the pandemic making meetings difficult and said we should wait and see what the new council wants.
3. Derek asked if he needs to reach out to Scott Air Force Base to ask for the Honor Guard & National Guard to participate in the 4th of July Parade. He was told yes.
4. Vernell asked Derek to get the Trolley for the 4th of July Parade.

X. ADJOURNMENT – Motion to Adjourn: 1st Sensel & 2nd Ulen Votes: All in Favor