

# City of Green Meeting Minutes Veterans Advisory Commission

March 4, 2025 | 5:30 pm | CAB

## I. Call to Order

Carl Mickelson called to order the regular meeting of the Veterans Advisory Commission at 5:30 p.m. on March 4, 2025.

#### II. Pledge of Allegiance

III. Roll Call

#### IV. New Member Introductions

a) Mike Hughes and Bill Burgess introduced themselves, sharing military backgrounds and goals for the commission.

#### V. Officer Elections

- a) **Chairperson:** Jared Suffecool Nominated himself for the position. Approved unanimously.
- b) Vice Chairperson: Christine Sedensky Nominated herself for the position. Approved unanimously.

#### VI. Approval of Minutes

- a) Minutes from the February 4, 2025 meeting. (Approved 3-0) Abstained Mr. Burgess, Mr. Hughes
- VII. Citizen Comments None.

#### VIII. Unfinished Business

- a) **Community Veterans Event:** Coffee, Donuts, and Conversation on March 22<sup>nd</sup>:
  - Will feature representatives from VSC, American Legion and SAM Center.
    Warriors' Journey Home and MAPS will possibility attend.
  - ii) Flyers to be distributed in nursing homes and assisted living facilities.

## b) Military Career Fair March 19<sup>th</sup>: from 4-8 p.m. at Community Hall:

- i) Open to students from multiple schools.
- ii) Encourages student engagement with recruiters from all branches.

## c) Memorial Day Parade Updates:

- i) Outreach to Boy Scouts and Sea Cadets for patriotic floats.
- ii) Contact information to be gathered for further engagement.

## d) Veterans Contact List & Outreach:

- i) Veterans can submit information via the Veterans Advisory Commission website.
- ii) QR codes included in city newsletters for outreach.

## IX. New Business

## a) Care Packages for Deployed Troops:

- i) Community Week June 30<sup>th</sup> July 3<sup>rd</sup> will collect and send care packages.
- ii) Veterans encouraged to participate by sharing stories, military gear, and day-in-the-life presentations.
- iii) Commission to provide recommendations on care package contents.

# b) World War II Memorial Walkway Project:

- i) Estimated cost: \$13,000 for concrete work, \$1,200 for bricks
- ii) Fundraising efforts to be discussed at a later meeting.
- Potential business sponsorships and public engagement at the March 22<sup>nd</sup> event.

# X. Adjournment

APPROVED:

Jared Suffecool, Chair

Date

ATTEST:

Johanna Gooding, Secretary