



City of Green

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Building
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Meeting Minutes

Veterans Advisory Commission

Tuesday, January 6, 2026

5:30 PM

Council Chambers

I. Call To Order

Jarrold Suffecool called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

II. Pledge of Allegiance

III. Roll Call

Present 5 - Commissioner Jarrold Suffecool, Commissioner Mike Hughes, Commissioner Bill Burgess, Commissioner Carl Mickelson, and Commissioner Vito Sinopoli

IV. Swearing in of New Board Members:

Michael Hughes
Carl Mickelson
Vito Sinopoli

V. Election of Chair

Jarrold Suffecool nominated Michael Hughes as the 2026 Chair. There were no other nominations. Carl Mickelson seconded the motion. All members were in favor; the motion carried.

VI. Election of Vice Chair

Michael Hughes nominated Bill Burgess as 2026 Vice Chair. There were no other nominations. Vito Sinopoli seconded the motion. All were in favor; motion carried.

VII. Approval of Minutes

[TMP-5204](#) Approval of the November 4, 2025 Veterans Advisory Commission Minutes

Attachments: [VAC Meeting Minutes \(draft\) - Nov 4th](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner Burgess, seconded by Commissioner Sinopoli, to approve the Action Item. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Commissioner Suffecool, Commissioner Hughes, Commissioner Burgess, Commissioner Mickelson and Commissioner Sinopoli

VIII. Old Business

There was a brief discussion on meeting time- Should they stay with 5:30 pm or move to 5:00 pm. Council Liaison Speight suggested that 5 pm may be better for city staff that has to stay over for these meetings. The Commissioners agreed to try 5:00 p.m. for the next few months to see how it works out.

Chair Hughes stated that he would work on scheduling a video conference with the gentleman who does recruiting for the next meeting.

IX. New Business

Commissioner Hughes stated that he would reach out to Green Chamber to get veteran friendly businesses moving. Would like to reach out to local businesses and see if they would like to be part of this initiative, and what they could provide. A number of businesses would like to have an outing or luncheon with the veterans. Mike Wynne from the Chamber is also a veteran and is definitely onboard.

Commissioner Suffecool commented that should begin looking ahead to memorial day. Would like to get artificial wreaths for Memorial Day for each branch of military to place at the Veterans Memorial. He commented that he would work with Bob Beasley to get a veteran from each branch.

Mr. Suffecool will look into getting samples of wreaths for next meeting.

Liaison Elkins provided a reminder about the Ohio Veterans Hall of Fame nominations being due Monday, June 1. Also they Commission should start to think about a Veteran for Memorial Day to honor.

Liaison Speight provided a reminder regarding State of the City being Thurs, Jan 29 at 6 pm at GHS. Green Community Leadership class taking applications as well.

X. Adjournment

A motion was made by Commissioner Carl Mickelson, seconded by Commissioner Bill Burgess, to this adjourn the meeting at 5:54 p.m. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Commissioner Suffecool, Commissioner Hughes, Commissioner Burgess, Commissioner Mickelson and Commissioner Sinopoli

APPROVED: _____ DATE: _____
MIKE HUGHES, CHAIR

ATTEST: _____ DATE: _____
NICHOLE MESSNER, MMC, RECORDING SECRETARY