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AGENDA
CITY OF SEBASTIAN
VETERANS ADVISORY BOARD MEETING
MONDAY, APRIL 3RD, 2023
3:00 PM

- 1) CALL TO ORDER
- 2) PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- 3) ROLL CALL
- 4) MEETING CHAIR MAKE ANNOUNCEMENTS
- 5) AGENDA MODIFICATIONS
Modifications and additions require unanimous vote of members. Deletions do not apply.
- 6) APPROVAL OF MINUTES:
January 9th, 2023 Meeting Minutes
- 7) UNFINISHED BUSINESS:
- 8) PUBLIC INPUT
- 9) NEW BUSINESS:
Item A: Memorial Day Event Plan

Item B: July 4th Parade Participation Discussion
- 10) STAFF MATTERS
- 11) BOARD OR COMMITTEE MEMBER MATTERS
- 12) ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA AND DATE: **August 7th, 2023 @ 3:00pm**
- 13) ADJOURN

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IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT (ADA), ANYONE WHO NEEDS A SPECIAL ACCOMMODATION FOR THIS MEETING SHOULD CONTACT THE CITY'S ADA COORDINATOR AT 589-5330 AT LEAST 48 HOURS IN ADVANCE OF THIS MEETING.



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**VETERANS ADVISORY BOARD
AGENDA TRANSMITTAL FORM**

Board Meeting Date: April 3rd, 2023

Agenda Item Title: Meeting Minutes from January 9th, 2023

Recommendation: Approval of Meeting Minutes from the January 9th, 2023 meeting.

Background:

If Agenda Item Requires Expenditure of Funds:

Total Cost: n/a

Attachments:

Veterans Advisory Board Meeting Minutes from January 9th, 2023

**VETERANS ADVISORY COMMITTEE
MINUTES
MONDAY, JANUARY 9, 3:00 P.M.
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
1225 MAIN ST., SEBASTIAN FL 32976**

I. Chairman Gary Shaw called the Veterans Advisory Committee meeting to order at 3:00 p.m.

II. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all.

III. Roll Call

Gary Spiecker, American Legion Member

Gary Shaw, VFW Commander

Kim Paskiewicz, VFW Auxiliary Member

Not Present:

Neil Baumgartner, VFW Member -- Excused

Stephen Hamerlin, American Legion Member -- Unexcused

Also Present:

Brian Benton, Director of Leisure Services

Joseph Perez, AV Technical Assistant

Janet Graham, Technical Writer

IV. Meeting Chair Makes Announcements -- None

V. Agenda Modifications -- None

VI. Approval of Minutes -- August 1, 2022

Chairman Shaw called for a motion to approve the Minutes from October 10, 2022. A motion approving the Minutes of October 10, 2022 as presented was made by Mr. Spiecker, seconded by Ms. Paskiewicz, and approved unanimously via voice vote.

VII. Unfinished Business -- None

VIII. Public Input

Chairman Shaw introduced Rick Lewis who will speak on "Wreaths Across America."

Mr. Lewis stated that it was a very good day when it came to laying the wreaths. The ceremony was probably the best they have had in the time that this has been done. He asked that it be put on the schedule for 2023 to occur on December 16th, 2023.

Mr. Shaw said that he was not able to attend. The program looked very nice, and this event is going to be added to the annual schedule, so it will be in the rotation every year.

There being nothing further, Chairman Shaw moved to New Business.

IX. New Business

A. 2023 Veterans Events and Responsibilities Discussion

Mr. Spiecker stated that on February 12, 2023 Post 10 is going to do a poker run. The proceeds will go towards a new roof for their facility.

Mr. Spiecker said that on St. Patrick's Day the American Legion will have a dinner.

Mr. Spiecker also stated there will be a sock hop this coming Saturday evening. The tickets are \$5.00. There will be 50s and 60s music, all provided by the Post.

B. Four Chaplains Memorial Event

1. Sunday, February 5th at 2:00 p.m.
2. That event is organized by Larry Wapnick. He has historically handled that event.

X. Staff Matters

Mr. Benton reviewed the list of the events that will take place at the Veterans Memorial. He asked for clarification of which events will be organized by which group for 2023 as follows:

A. Memorial Day Event

1. Last year this event was organized by the American Legion.
2. The VFW will hand that event for 2023. It will be held on May 29th.

B. July 4th Ceremony

1. Historically, the Lions Club has done a small ceremony at the flagpole, and they will continue with that if they choose.

- C. Patriot Day Ceremony (9/11)
 - 1. September 11th
 - 2. In the past it was organized by a veterans group. Then it went to the Police Department, and this past year it was back with one of the veterans groups. This year it will be organized by the American Legion.

- D. Veterans Day Ceremony
 - 1. November 11th at 11:00 a.m.
 - 2. Event will be organized by the American Legion.

- E. Pearl Harbor Remembrance Ceremony
 - 1. December 7th at 12:30 p.m.
 - 2. Event organized by the VFW.

- F. Wreaths Across America
 - 1. December 16, 2023 at 10:30 a.m. The noon ceremony will be at the Veterans Memorial.
 - 2. Event organized by Rick Lewiis.

XI. Board or Committee Member Matters

Chairman Shaw feels certain that a representative of all the religious denominations can be obtained for the Four Chaplains event. Mr. Benton said he will contact Mr. Wapnick in this regard. Chairman Shaw said there are two people, one with each organization, who do great-looking flyers that can be put out anywhere, and he feels certain one or both of them would be happy to design a flyer for that event.

Mr. Spiecker suggested contacting the Chamber of Commerce. They have an outside bulletin board, and he suggested getting word to the Chamber suggesting they put something out on that bulletin board regarding the event.

XII. Items for the Next Agenda and Date: April 3rd, 2023 at 3:00 p.m.

Mr. Benton asked that, if anyone has anything for the agenda, to let him know, and he will see to it.

AT 3:14 P.M., THE MEETING WAS TERMINATED DUE TO UNFORSEEN CIRCUMSTANCES.