



AGENDA FOR MAYOR'S ARMED FORCES COMMISSION

LOCATION: 326 PUJO STREET, CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS 1ST FLOOR

LAKE CHARLES, LOUISIANA

February 11, 2019

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

OPENING PRAYER/MOMENT OF SILENCE

ROLL CALL

READING/APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF MEETING JANUARY 14, 2019

TREASURER'S REPORT

GUEST SPEAKERS: Martina Thibodeaux, Marketing and Outreach Coordinator Christus Health Plan

OLD BUSINESS:

ORLECK – RON WILLIAMS

COMMITTEE REPORTS: (PLEASE HOLD REPORTS TO 3 MINUTES OR LESS IF POSSIBLE)

SCHOOLS: JOHN STILLS

FUND RAISING: ED HUDSON

QUEENS: KATIE LOVETT

MEMBERSHIP: HERBERT JONES

NATIONAL VIETNAM WAR VETERANS DAY: ALFRED COCHRAN

FORT POLK: CHARLES DALGLEISH

MEMORIAL PARK: JAMES STEWARD

NEW BUSINESS:

ORGANIZATION REPORTS

CLOSING PRAYER/ADJOURN

**NEXT MEETING SCHEDULED FOR MONDAY, MARCH 10, 2019
IF YOU KNOW OF ANYONE WHO WOULD WISH TO JOIN US
PLEASE INVITE THEM TO ATTEND THE MEETINGS.**

YOUR PRESENCE IS APPRECIATED

MEMO TO: MAYOR'S ARMED FORCES COMMISSION

Subject: Report Minutes of Meeting

Presiding: Charles Dalgleish, President

Date: January 14, 2019

COMMISSION MEMBERS PRESENT: Donald Ballance, Paul Bauer, Al Cochran, Charles Dalgleish, Mary Kay Dyer, Marialisa Wyatt, James Jackson, Herbert Jones, Otis Mearidy, Kelly Miseles, Richard Morgan, ,Joe Rabalais, Rhonda Sullivan, Joseph Taylor, Charmaine Trahan, Bubba Viator, Don Wilkinson, Ron Williams and Julie Pippin.

GUESTS: Cammi Olney, Occupational Therapist, Kidred Home Health Agency; Abigail Fruge, LA Cotton Queen

MINUTES: Motion to dispense the minutes as read was made by Kelly Miseles and seconded by Al Cochran . Approved the dispensing the minutes as read of the Minutes.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Balance is \$5657.04. Motion was made to dispense the treasurer's report as stated by Paul Bauer and seconded by Joe Rabalais. Approved for dispensing of the Treasurer's report.

Cammi Olney spoke of a new program for blind/ low vision rehabilitation, and the Patriot Opti-vision. (To assist the person to see.) It is being offered in Lake Charles to veterans. If you know of anyone who would benefit from her services, please give the name to her.

OLD BUSINESS:

Lake Charles Clinic – no report

USS Orleck- Ron Williams –

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Veterans' Day –

Schools – John Stills

Queens – Katie Lovett (and queens)- Caitlin and Lauren gave reports of their activities. Abigail Fruge visited.

Vietnam Vets Honor Day – Alfred Cochran – 3-30-2019 Bill Reeder (Vietnam POW) has consented to be our guest speaker. He is requesting fees of \$215 plane fare and \$1500 speaking fee. Julie will check on getting a comp hotel room for him. It was decided to pay the money for Mr. Reeder. Ashley Joseph will be the MC.

Patriots Ball – Ed Hudson –

Fund Raising – . Ed Hudson

Membership – Herbert Jones

Fort Polk –Charles Dalglish 3rd Brigade is in train-up and will deploy in August.

Memorial Park Commission – Marialisa Watts – gave an update of the repairs and maintenance needed. They will wait until after VN Welcome Home to do any work.

NEW BUSINESS; -

ORGANIZATIONAL REPORTS:

Richard Morgan – Veterans’ Court still need mentors. They meet every Thurs. (Mentors do not have to be present every Thurs.)

- 4/6 Motorcycle run and a raffle to benefit the Vets’ Home.

Jim Jackson - American Legion Mid-winter conference this week.

- American Legion Post 1 will be having a Mardi Gras Party in March

Mary Kay Dyer – 3-11 DAV is holding a Golf Tournament in Baton Rouge. She had entry forms and info if interested.

Rhonda Sullivan - \$6520 has been sent to the DAV Chapter and \$18,000. This will be enough to meet the minimum amount needed, but donations will still be accepted. Herbert Jones gave a donation. Anyone giving donations will receive a receipt with the DAV tax ID number so it can be used as a tax deduction. Thank you to all that have donated.

Kelly Miseles – Encouraged new mentors. He said the veteran he is working with goes every other week. It is not as intensive as you may think.

Rhonda Sullivan – If you have not completed an up-dated information sheet, please do so. We are up-dating our MAFC roster.

Closing prayer was offered by Otis Mearidy.

With no further business to be discussed, a motion to adjourn was made by Al Cochran seconded by James Jackson. Approved. Next meeting will be, 2019 at the City Council Chamber.

Adjourned.