

BAY COUNTY VETERAN AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

MEETING MINUTES THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 2019

Meeting called to Order by appointed Temporary Chairman Craig Goulet at 3:02 PM, followed by roll call.

Present at meeting: Vaughn Begick, County Commissioner; Marilyn Lazarz, Jonathan VanTol, Troy Stewart, Michael Pergande, Craig Goulet, Director of Administrative Services, Amber Davis-Johnson, Department of Corporation Council and Jim Barcia, County Executive.

Election of Officers for 2019: Chairman Vaughn Begick, Vice Chairman Mike Pergande, Secretary Marilyn Lazarz, and Sergeant at Arms Troy Stewart by unanimous Committee member votes.

Citizens Input: Jim Barcia congratulated all Bay County Veteran Affairs Committee members and thanks us for our service.

Petitions and Communications: a) Board Rules: Bay County Veteran Affairs Committee Rules handed out to Committee members. Chairman suggested taping the meetings with Bay County TV/You Tube. b) Set Future Meeting Dates: Regular meetings will be held the third Tuesday of each month and shall convene at 3:00 till 4:00 PM. A Special meeting of the Committee shall be called by the Chairman of the Committee. c) Roster: Committee member roster handed out.

New Business:

**2019-1** Motion made by Jon VanTol for Craig Goulet, Veteran Affairs Director, to be the Veteran Board Coordinator and supported by Mike Pergande. Motion adopted by a voice of: 5 YEAS, 0 NAYS.

Amber discussed impending issue of finalizing contract with Veterans Service Office staff (Mark Kaczmarek and Kristal Latimer) currently operating without a contract, requesting a raise and increase in work hours.

**2019-2** Motion made by Mike Pergande to give a raise of \$4.00 to Veterans Service Office staff with retroactive pay and supported by Jon VanTol. Motion adopted by a voice of: 5 YEAS, 0 NAYS.

Craig discussed the Committee to adopt all Bay County Policies and follow Committee Procedure Guidelines.

**2019-3** Motion made by Jon VanTol to adopt all Bay County Policies and follow Committee Procedure Guidelines and supported by Troy Stewart. Motion adopted by a voice of: 5 YEAS, 0 NAYS.

**2019-4** Motion made by Mike Pergande to table Board Rules until March meeting and supported by Marilyn Lazarz. Motion adopted by a voice of: 5 YEAS, 0 NAYS.

Jon has been working on Bay County Veteran Transportation Program Procedures. He will send the procedures to the Committee members to review. Mike will research the Transportation Program for best solutions.

Miscellaneous: Committee members will get a Bay County email address, name plate and picture to be taken. VanTol spoke about upgrading the technology for Veterans Service Office staff office and monies would come out of the \$76,000 grant for Veterans.

Announcements: Next meeting Tuesday March 19, 2019 at 3:00 PM.

Motion to adjourn meeting at 4:00 PM.