

**MINUTES OF THE GILBERT VETERANS ADVISORY BOARD, IN REGULAR MEETING OF TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2022 AT 5:00 PM, MUNICIPAL BUILDING II, CONFERENCE ROOM 100, GILBERT, ARIZONA**

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**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Treasurer Les Presmyk, Members Michael Bailey, Charles Dine, and Pamela Rinesmith

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Chair Dave Rosenfeld, Vice Chair Jim Lykins, and Member Lori Gauna-Barcklay

**STAFF PRESENT:** Staff Volunteers Jason Montgomery and Krista Trei

**GUESTS PRESENT:** Anne Adkinson and Mark Day

**ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS**

**1. Call to Order**

Treasurer Presmyk called the meeting to order at 5:07 p.m.

**2. Roll Call**

Staff Volunteer Montgomery called roll and declared a quorum present.

**3. Pledge of Allegiance**

Treasurer Presmyk led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**4. Welcome and Introductions**

Treasurer Presmyk welcomed everyone to the meeting. Members and guests present and online introduced themselves.

**5. Communications from Citizens**

None.

**6. Approval of November 3, 2022 Meeting Minutes**

Member Rinesmith moved to approve the minutes of the November 3, 2022, meeting; Member Dine seconded the motion. *Motion carried 4-0.*

## **AGENDA ITEMS**

### **7. Pillar of Wellness – Senior Center Discussion**

Krista Trei with Town of Gilbert Parks and Recreation Department provided a description of the Community Center services and the potential collaboration with the VAB. AZCEND coordinates services at the Community Center for the Town and will be invited to future meetings and discussions. The potential of a Veterans Day brunch to occur at the Community Center was discussed for next year. Krista Trei and members of AZCEND were added to Wellness Pillar roster and will be included on future meeting invitations.

### **8. December 7 Keel Laying Ceremony**

Treasurer Presmyk discussed the upcoming event to livestream the USS Arizona keel laying on December 7 at the Gilbert Public Safety Training Facility. A flyer was created and will be distributed at the Veterans Day event and posted to the website and social media platforms accordingly.

### **9. Pillar of Wellness - Update on Veteran Resources:**

- **VAB Website Resource Categories**
- **Revision to Resource Vetting Form**

#### **VAB Website Resource Categories**

Member Dine provided a summary of recommendations for revisions to the VAB website. Staff Volunteer Montgomery to setup a meeting with Town staff to discuss website revisions.

#### **Revision to Resource Vetting Form**

No discussion on this item.

### **10. Pillar of Wellness - Update on Muster Activities**

Discussion on two potential muster events in December: event at Cider Corpsin Gilbert; and a hike along the Western Powerline Trail possibly on December 1 and 15. Details to be developed by Members Dine and Gauna-Barcklay.

### **11. Pillar of Wellness - Media Resources and Methods of Communication to Veteran Community**

Discussion on the effort to increase the sharing of events and updated information from the VAB was discussed with the potential of a future meeting with Gilbert Digital staff.

COMMUNCIATIONS

**12. Report from Staff**

None.

**13. Report from Chair**

Treasurer Presmyk discussed the upcoming Veterans Day and Chamber of Commerce events and shared an article from the AZ Republic on veterans suicide, which was distributed to the VAB.

**14. Report from Board Members**

Member Bailey discussed future meetings to review American Legion events.

**15. Report from Council Liaison(s)**

None.

**16. Future Agenda Items**

Potential meeting on 12/6/22 with confirmation by Treasurer Presmyk.

CONCLUSION

**17. Adjournment**

Treasurer Presmyk adjourned the meeting at 5:59 p.m.

**ATTEST:**

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Dave Rosenfeld, Chair

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Jason Montgomery, Staff Volunteer