

**VETERANS ADVISORY COMMITTEE
REGULAR MEETING
Bergenfield VFW Post-6467
August 17, 2024
10:30 AM**

MINUTES

1. Meeting Called to Order at 10:34 PM

2. Chairman's Statement

Committee Chairman Warren Williams called the meeting to order by reading the Open Public Meeting Act and the notice requirements have been satisfied. Meeting dates are confirmed at the Annual Meeting. Notices of this committee's meeting are here by posted on two municipal public notice bulletin boards, published on the websites for the Borough of Bergenfield and the Veterans Advisory Committee and on file in the Office of the Borough Clerk

3. Roll Call

Roll Call	Present	Absent	Excused
Venus Carpenter, Member	X		
Kean Castillo, Member		X	
Edgar Garcia, Member		X	
Thomas Lang, Vice Chairman		X	
Edward Lora, Member	X		
Richard Morf, Member	X		
Dina Moore, Member	X		
Willie Moree, Member		X	
Marc Pascual, Council Liaison	X		
Dr. Samuel Paul, Chaplin	X		
Fredrick Sahlberg, Member		X	
Wilfred Selby, Member	X		
Jose Vasquez, Secretary	X		
Amos White, Member		X	
Warren Williams, Chairman	X		

4. Flag Salute

Led by Committee Chairman Warren Williams

5. Invocation (Chaplin)

Given by Committee Chaplin Dr. Samuel Paul

6. Agenda Changes (Additions/Deletion)

No changes to agenda

7. Approval of Minutes

Motion Offered by Venus Carpenter and **Second** by Dina Moore to approve minutes for August 17, 2024 Regular Committee Meeting Minutes and to be published on the Veterans Committee website. All present voted in favor.

8. Treasury Report

The treasury report for August 17, 2024, there was a payment of \$367.00 to the DAV Chapter 32 for their share of the BP Gas Station fundraiser. The account balance, \$1569.63 USD. There are no other expenses or billing transactions for the reporting period of July 20, 2024–August, 2024 treasury report. **Motion Offered** Richard Morf and **Second** Dina Moore to approve treasurer's report for August 17, 2024 Regular Veterans Committee Meeting. All present voting in favor.

9. Presentation

10. Correspondence

- Letter to Bergen County Executive: Proposal to Hire additional Veterans Service Officers (VS0)

11. Unfinished Business

- State Grant: Been approved for \$50,000. VFW has received \$25,000.
- AAPR Grants: Veterans Committee was not approved for grant
- New Borough Hall Exterior Overlay (Flag Poles & Veterans Monuments) Pending
- POW/MIA Recognition Day Ceremony (Sept-20-2024) Plan
- Veterans Day Ceremony (November 11, 2024) Plan
- Mayor's Memorial & Remembrance WW-2 POW Bataan Death March Project (2025) Pre-Plan

12. New Business

- Committee Member Nomination: Mr. Gerald Ferra & Mr. Jose Henriquez
- VA PACT Act & Borough Resource-Health Screening Event: Discussion

13. Public Comment *(Please be advised there will be a limit of three (5) minutes per speaker and each may speak only once.)* No Public Comments

14. Good of the Order

- Game Night with the Vets, July 25, 2024, Bergenfield VFW Post: Good Turn-Out
- Summer Latin Night, Cooper's Pond, Very Enjoyable Event & Good Turn- Out
- Bergenfield VFW Post-6467 Auxiliary, 7th Annual Pig Roast: Enjoyable Event & Good Turn-Out
- Bergen County Annual Senior Festival, September 12, 2024, 10AM-2PM, Van Daun County Park Paramus, NJ (Update)
- VFW-NJ District-2 Annual Picnic, September 14, 2024, 12PM-3PM, AL Post-170, Rochelle PK, NJ (Update)

15. Committee Comments (Members Only)

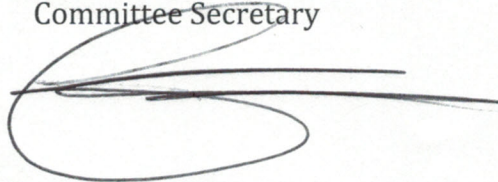
- Murder Mystery Event will be rescheduled from October 19, 2024. The new date will be announced later, sometime in 2025.
- VA PACT Act/Resource Fair is be looked at for October 19, 2024, depending on date available from the Department of Veterans Affairs

16. Adjournment

There being no further business before the Veterans Advisory Committee, **Motion Offered** by Venus Carpenter **Second** by Dina Moore to adjourn the meeting at 12:05 PM. All in favor none opposed. The next schedule committee meeting will be on **September 21, 2024, time 10:30 AM. at the location of Bergenfield Public Library.**

Respectfully Submitted,

Jose Vasquez
Committee Secretary

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to be 'Jose Vasquez', written over the printed name and title.