

**VETERANS ADVISORY COMMITTEE
REGULAR MEETING
May 22, 2021**

MINUTES

1. Meeting Called To Order at 11:16 AM

2. Open Public Meeting Statement

In compliance with the Open Public Meeting Act, the notice requirements have satisfied. Meeting dates are confirmed at the Annual Meeting. Notices of this meeting was provided to the Record, Star Ledger, Twin Boro News and Cablevision, posted on two municipal public notice bulletin boards, published on the borough website and veterans committee’s website and on file in the Office of the Borough Clerk.

3. Roll Call

Roll Call	Present	Absent	Excused
John Smith	X		
John Opatovsky	X		
Warren Williams	X		
Thomas Lang	X		
Richard Morf	X		
Fred Sahlberg	X		
Joseph Sokol	X		
John Smith	X		
Amos White	X		
Rafael Marte		X	

4. Salute to the Flag

Pledge of Allegiance led by Fred Sahlberg

5. Changes to the Agenda

No additions / revisions or deletions at this time

6. Presentation / Correspondence

No presentation / correspondence at this time

7. Approval of Minutes

Motion Offered by Committee Member Fred Sahlberg and **Second** by Committee Member Thomas Lang, for Minutes for May 8 and May 22, 2021 committee minutes will be ready for the next committee meeting schedule for June 12, 2021. All present voting in favor and none opposed.

8. Treasurer Report

Motion Offered by Committee Member John Opatovsky and **Second** by Committee Member Warren Williams, to approve Treasurer's Report for May 2021. All present voting in favor and none opposed.

9. Verbal Communications

No public or committee members comments at this time.

10. Unfinished Business

A. Memorial Day Parade Planning and Preparation (Update)

All request for this event has been approved by the Mayor and Council at the May 18,2021 meeting. The Rusty Relics Classic car Club, will provide the 3 vehicles for the Grand Marshalls. The parade route will be, Cooper's Pond, west Church Street is the Staging area and step-off point for the parade. All parade elements will leave Cooper's Pond heading to Prospect Ave. The parade will continue down South Prospect Ave to New Bridge Road. Then the parade will continue on New Bridge Road to main entrance into Veterans Memorial Park were the parade will end.

1. Parade Grand Marshalls Military Background Write Ups (Due)

All Grand Marshalls write ups have been submitted to the committee and be completed

2. National Guard Support (Update)

Nation Guard Unit from the Teaneck Armory (HHC 250th Bde Spt Bn), will be supporting the Memorial Day Parade as the Color Guard detail for the parade.. John Smith and SGM Warren Williams, has already met with the unit POC and confirmed.

B. Fundraiser Campaign New Bridge Garage BP Gas Station (Update)

on May 4, 2021, the BP gas station next to the railroad tracks on New Bridge Road is donating 2¢ per gallon to Bergenfield Veterans Affairs Committee, to support our town hero's. Thank you Marc Pascual for sponsoring this fundraiser, and thank you to Mayor Arvin Amatorio and Councilman Rafael Marte for their continuous support to the Bergenfield Veterans.

C. Committee's Shirts/Caps/Jacket Logo Ideas (Special Project Team)

Committee Members Amos White informed the committee the Shirts/Caps/Jacket are working on some ideas. (Tabled 5-8-2021) for update at the June 12, 2021 meeting

D. Street Pole Banners for Veterans (Update)


Committee Chairman John Smith, meeting with individual about the street banners, has postpone with veterans committee until May 2021 meet. (Tabled 5-22-2021) for update at the June 12, 2021 meeting

11. New Business

No New Business at this time

12. Adjournment

Motion Offered by Fred Sahlberg and **Second** by John Opatovsky, to adjourned the meeting and announce next month meeting on June 12, 202 There being no further business to come before the Veterans Committee. The meeting was adjourned at 12:47 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Warren Williams
Committee Secretary