

**VETERANS ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
REGULAR MEETING  
Bergenfield Public Library  
January 20, 2024  
10:30 AM  
MINUTES**

**1. Meeting Called to Order at 10:33 AM.**

**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
Edgar Garcia, Member		X
Thomas Lang, Vice Chairman	X	
Marc Pascual, Council Liaison	X	
Richard Morf, Member	X	
Dina Moore, Member	X	
Willie Moree Jr, Member	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**

Pledge of Allegiance was led by Chairman Warren Williams

**5. Invocation (Chaplin)**

Invocation was given by the Committee Chaplin Dr. Samuel Paul

**6. Agenda Changes (Additions/Deletion or Revisions)**

No Changes to Agenda

## **7. Approval of Minutes** (November 2023)

**Motion Offered** by Fredrick Sahlberg and **Second** by Amos White to approve minutes for November 18, 2023, Regular Committee Meeting minutes and to be published on the website for the Veterans Advisory Committee. There was no committee meeting, and no minutes published for December 14, 2023, due to Mayor and Council Annual Volunteer Dinner. All present voting in favor and none oppose.

## **8. Treasury Report** (December 2023)

The current balance of funds available is \$1,886.63. The committee has donated \$500 to the Bergenfield High School Music Department. There are no other expenses or billing transactions during the reporting period of November 18, 2023 to December 14, 2023. **Motion Offered** by Richard Morf and **Second** by Dina Moore to approve the committee's treasury report for the period of November 18, 2023 to December 14, 2023. All present voting in favor and none oppose.

## **9. Presentation**

No Presentation at this moment

## **10. Correspondence**

No Correspondence at this moment

## **11. Unfinished Business**

### a. Dates for State Service Medal Ceremony

- Looking at June 14, 2024 if date available. Need request backup date for 2-weeks after June 14.
- The location for this Service Medal Ceremony may be at New Boro Hall or VFW Post.

### b. Sponsor a Unit Deployment: 1500 NJ National Guard soldiers from 44<sup>th</sup> Brigade being sent to the Middle East. Need to sponsor a local unit (250<sup>th</sup> BSB & 508 MP) for farewell, care packages and welcome home ceremonies.

### c. Veterans Information Resources:

- Pact Act to notify the public about Bergen Region. Boro Hall, Conlon Hall or VFW Post for 2-day event. Need more information.

### d. NJ Boating Safety Course

- Boating Safety Course will be held on April 13, 2024. Registration Opens on March 1, 2024 and \$20 non-refund deposit when registering.
- The course is an 8-hour class with 30 student seating limits.
- All course attendees must contact Mr. Fredrick Sahlberg to register and course information

### e. Service Officer Training

- Bergen County VSO Kevin O'Hora is hosting a VFW Service Officers Training
- Date & Time: March 30, 2024. Reporting time 9:00AM and Training from 10:00 AM -2:00PM
- Service Officers training is to get local VFW Post Service Officers updated with VA Benefits and the how to understand the VA.

### f. Fundraising

- New Bridge BP Gas Station Gasoline Pump donation drive
- GoFundMe web page for VFW Building Upgrades
- Need more information from New Bridge Regional
- Munder Mystery Night
- Grants: State/Federal/Private donators

**12. New Business**

- New Committee Shirts: Shirt Ideas, color, design and type

**13. Public Comment**

No persons present for Public Comment

**14. Good of the Order**

No activities at this moment

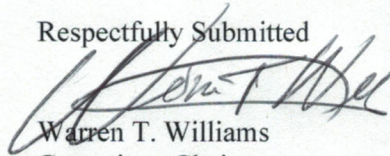
**15. Committee Comments (Members Only)**

No comments at this moment

**16. Adjournment**

There being no further business before the Veterans Advisory Committee. The meeting is adjourned **Motion Offered** by Warren Williams **Second** by Dina Moore to adjourn the meeting. All present voting in favor and none oppose. The ended at 12:05PM. The next schedule committee meeting will be on February 17, 2024 at 10:30AM at the location at Bergenfield Memorial Post 6467 VFW.

Respectfully Submitted



Warren T. Williams  
Committee Chairman