MILITARY & VETERAN'S AFFAIRS COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
March 14, 2023

1. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

Chair Dalpe called the meeting to order on Tuesday, March 14, 2022, at 5:00 p.m.

Members in Attendance:
Chair Robert Dalpe
Commissioner Carol Farabee
Commissioner Shane Levinson
Commissioner Michael Simon
Commissioner David Waltzer

Members Absent:
Vice-Chair Cassandra Facciponti
Commissioner Nancy Dunn

Staff Members Present:
Andy Bass, Deputy City Manager
Thomas Allan, Assistant City Attorney
John Sefton, Director of Community Services
Mickey Ohland, Community Services Planning Senior Manager
Sandy Popovich, Recording Secretary

Others Present
None

2. ACTION AGENDA

a. **Approval of the Minutes of the Military and Veterans Affairs Commission Regular Meeting of March 14, 2023**

Chair Dalpe requested a motion for approval of the minutes for the March 14, 2023, Military and Veterans Affairs Commission meeting. **Commissioner Levinson** made the motion to approve the minutes of the March 14, 2023, minutes. **Commissioner Waltzer** seconded the motion.

The minutes were approved 5-0 by **all Commission** members present.

3. DISCUSSION

a. **Update – Discussion on hosting a Service Recognition Event recognizing high school students who have committed to military service after graduation.**

Mr. Andy Bass updated the **Commission** on the current plans for the event. It will be held in the City of Chandler Chambers on May 9, 2023 with a reception at 6:00 p.m. with the event starting at 6:30 p.m. Commissioner Facciponti will serve as MC. The Mayor will make some remarks and the Vice-Mayor will give the key-note speech. The late Jack Holder, the last Pearl Harbor survivor will be recognized. The following will also be at the event: Police Department Color Guard, Fire Department Bagpipe Band, the Presentation of Colors, Pledge of Allegiance will be recited, and the National Anthem will be sung.

b. **Discussion on building a Veteran Memorial wall at Veteran Oasis Park to honor fallen, Chandler veterans.**

Mr. John Sefton, Community Services Director gave a presentation on the wall that was built in Peoria. Ideas that may be incorporated into the City of Chandler's memorial wall include the process to select candidates for the wall, and the pricing strategy. Mr. Mickey Ohland, Community Services Planning Senior Manager, discussed an option for the material to be used when building the wall/name plaques.

4. MEMBER COMMENTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

a. **Commissioner Simon** shared with the **Commission** that there will be an annual golf tournament for Post 91 at San Marcos Golf Course on April 29, 2023.

b. Commissioner Farabee about another retreat for the Commission since we are winding down on the three events that were identified at the last retreat. Mr. Bass suggested we plan a time for another retreat, possibly June.

5. SCHEDULED/UNSCHEDULED PUBLIC APPEARANCES

a. None

6. CALENDAR ITEMS

a. The next meeting will be **April 11, 2023**, at 5:00 p.m.

7. ADJOURNMENT

With no further items, **Chair Dalpe** adjourned the meeting at 5:51 p.m.

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Robert Dalpe, Chairman Sandy Popovich, Recording Secretary