

Veterans Advisory Council

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Meeting Minutes

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Present: Chuck Clark, Cory Paulette, David Perinchief, Ron Genest, Paul Lantz, Bob Laws, Susan Moran

Next meeting: April 27, 2023 at 5pm, Beverly City Hall, 3rd Floor

1. **Call to Order** – Chuck Clark called the meeting to order at 5pm.
2. **Introduction of Guests** – Alan Wilkins, Vietnam Veteran; Kevin Gannon, American Legion Post 46 Commander.
3. **Reading and Approval of the Minutes** – Bob Laws made a motion to accept the minutes. Motion was seconded and carried.
4. **Financial Report** – The balance remains the same at \$13,085.13. Bob Laws made a motion to accept the financial report. Motion was seconded and carried.
5. **Unfinished Business**
 - **Bench in Honor of Jerry Guilebbe** – The meeting of the West Beach Board was held and the topic of a bench in honor of Jerry was tabled. The board doesn't want to set the precedence of putting more benches at the beach. If one is placed for Jerry, it would need to be opened up to everyone. It will be brought up again at the next meeting. Kevin Gannon suggested putting a bench at the Beverly Farms Library which is near Jerry's home. We will wait to find out what happens at the next board meeting.
 - **Term Limits** - There was a question of term limits. Chuck provided the paper stating yearly elections in July.
 - **Warrior Weekend Update** – Marine Corps Recruiting Command has guaranteed the semi-truck with the interactive simulation inside. The Battle Drone is pending but the tent booth pull-up bars are coming. The Coast Guard has confirmed that the air asset request has moved forward. They are working on the pilots. The Air Force and State Police are bringing their K-9 units. The Navy is bringing drones that kids can drive in pools. They are also bringing recruiters. Essex County Sheriff has not responded and will not be included. State Police Drone Search and Rescue is onboard. The Bomb Squad is bringing the bomb squad display set-up and the K-9 unit. David is working on getting some Swat Team members to participate. The two tanks, Sherman and Chaffee are all set. WWII reenactors are coming. JROTC is confirmed for Springfield, Haverhill, Lynn English, Salem, and Assabet Valley. They will do a competition event on Saturday. Endicott College is locked in. VA Hospital is working on getting staff. Ax Throwing will be 18+. Marblehead Submarine Base is setting up a table. What's Brewing Café is going to be there with coffee and pastries. The Navy Rock Band has confirmed that they will be there. The Drum and Bugle Corps is confirmed. The Revolutionary War Reenactors have been given the ok by Mike Collins to dig a trench and do the cannon firing.

- **Beverly Farms Parade** - Beverly Farms Parade will start at 9am and should be done by 11am.
- **Shirts for Warrior Weekend** – “Beverly Veterans Council” will be on the front and “Staff” on the back. The estimate for 12 shirts is \$261.92. There will be 24 t-shirts for “staff” and the estimate is This will go under David’s budget line.
- **Dedications** – Will begin at 8am with Shotwell (family and friends will be there). 8:45am is o Contarino. 9:30am is Glasser. 10:45am Beverly Hospital. 11:15am Small. 11:45am Vietnam Plaza. 12pm collation at the Spear Post in the downstairs hall. City Counselors were invited. Mayor Cahill, Senator Lovely, and Jerry Parisella received invitations.
- **Game Night** – April 27th at 6:30pm at the Second Congregational Church with Scouts.
- **New Appointments for the Veterans Council** – Mayor Cahill wants to meet with the potential new members. Beth rescinded her request to be on the council because she moved.

6. New Business

- No New Business

7. Announcements

- Jan Pierce and Ron Genest have been reappointed for two more years.

8. Adjournment – David Perinchief made a motion to adjourn. Motion was seconded and carried.