Flagler County Veterans Advisory Council
1769 East Moody Blvd
Bunnell, Florida 32110

American Legion Post 115
Disabled American Veterans 86
Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 8696
Military Order of the Purple Heart

Marine Corps League 876
Military Officers Association of America
AMVETS Post 113
Team RWB

VETERANS ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING

Flagler County Veterans Advisory Council called to order at 4:00 p.m. on November 4, 2019 at the Board of County Commissioners Conference Room.

Following the Pledge of Allegiance, Eric Flores Febles, ACVSO, welcomed everyone to the meeting and all attendees followed up by introducing themselves.

In attendance:
- Neal McCoppin, MOAA Delegate / VAC Chairman
- George Bertish, MOAA Alternate Delegate, V/Chair
- Joseph Kowalsky, Marine Corps League, Delegate
- Eric Flores Febles, County Veterans Service Office (AVSO)
- Thomas S. Piekarski, VFW, Delegate
- Billy Jones, MOAA – Regular Attendee
- Hank Mangles, American Legion, Delegate
- Tanya Whitaker, Team RWB
- Charles Hanger, DAV, Delegate
- Freddie Vazques, DAV, Delegate
- Randy Stapleford, Florida’s 6th Congressional District

Absent:
- Chris Sleep, MOPH, Delegate

Correspondence:  None

Scheduled Guests:  Sam K. Houston, Jr., Capt, USN (Ret). Cecil Field POA-MIA Memorial talked about how he became involved with this project, when the program started, and how the facility is being built. He also shared with the VAC member’s pictures and the schematic of the Memorial facility. He stated that the Cecil Field POA-MIA Memorial is a 501©3 and the organizers are seeking donations to continue with the construction of the memorial.

Parades & Ceremonies:

- VAC Chairman talked about all upcoming events during Veterans Day Week.
- VAC members discussed the Veterans Day Ceremonies at the County, the City of Palm Coast, and the City of Flagler Beach, dates and hours one more time.
- Eric Flores stated, “all blocks are in place” and that everything should run smooth as expected. Eric also said that we should expected more people coming to the County ceremony.
- 2019 Freedom Fest event was discussed.
- Lutheran Christ Church Veterans day event was discussed.
- VAC Chairman talked about the upcoming Rotary Club Veterans Appreciation lunch and the Flagler County Chamber of Commerce Veterans appreciation breakfast.

**Committee Reports:** N/A

**Old Business:**
- Thomas S. Piekarski, VFW Delegate talked about the Veterans History Project. He also gave his phone number in case someone would like to get in contact with him.
- Eric Flores requested to continue to support the Veterans on Point radio show. Every Sunday at 9:30am on WNZF 94.9fm.
- Eric Flores talked about the Annual Paycheck for Patriots Career Fair that is sponsor by Flagler/Volusia Career Source.
- The Navy Band Southeast Concert will be performing at the Flagler County Auditorium on December 15, 2019. Call the auditorium for more information.
- Eric Flores talked about the 2020 Census employment opportunities.

**New Business:**
- No new business.

**Good and Welfare:** None

The next VAC meeting will be at 4:00PM on December 2, 2019 at the BOCC Conference Room, GSB, 1769 East Moody Blvd, Bunnell, FL 32110.

Signed,

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