Flagler County Veterans Advisory Council  
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American Legion Post 115  
Disabled American Veterans 86  
Italian American War Veterans Post 7  
Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 8696

Marine Corps League 876  
Military Officers Association of America  
Amvets Post 113

VETERANS ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING

Flagler County Veterans Advisory Council was called to order at 4:05 p.m. on May 2, 2016 at the BOCC Conference Room.

Following a moment of silence in memory of Mr. Gary E. DeKay and the Pledge of Allegiance, members introduced themselves.

Billy Jones  
George Stockley  
David Lydon  
George Bertish  
Rick Cimino  
David Franks  

MOAA  
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VFW 8696  
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ITAM VETS 7  
AMVETS 113

Guest Speaker: None.

Correspondence: CVSO Sal Rutigliano reviewed the May Veterans Information Package with the members. He also reminded the members that each organization is responsible for providing a list of deceased members from May 2015 until present to be read at the last roll call at the County Memorial Day ceremony that is going to be held on May 30, 2016 at the GSB. Also requested is an updated list of the commanders of each organization.

The Professional Bull Rider’s event flyer for May 7, 2016 at Flagler Fairgrounds was distributed because they want to honor veterans at their opening ceremonies.

Flags to be placed on veterans’ graves for Memorial Day weekend will be distributed after the meeting.

Committee Reports: None
Parades & Ceremonies: Mr. Billy Jones reminded the VAC members to tell their organizations be at the Memorial Day Ceremony site 30 minutes prior to the commencement of the ceremony with their flags. Marine Corps League 876 will provide the rifle squad and the refreshments. Flagler/Palm Coast HS will provide singers to sing the National Anthem.

Old Business:

Dave Lyon reported that he contacted Don Russo, who is in charge of the Vietnam Traveling Wall and informed him that he would be the local point of contact taking the place of the late Gary DeKay. Dave stated that Mr. Russo indicated that on the day the Wall arrives, that the site be prepared, that he needs about 20 volunteers to be ready to assist. Also, there would be no need for accommodations for the drivers because they would be staying with friends who live here. In addition, there would be a donation receptacle of some kind for the maintenance of the Wall. Any vendors or stage would have to be separate from the site of the Wall.

Veterans' Advisory Council organizations should send checks to MOAA-The Wall at the address indicated on the flyer.

Joe Mayer asked that there be a letter sent from the Veterans Advisory Council to the cities of Flagler County that there be one unified Veterans Day Ceremony at the Flagler County Airport where the Vietnam Traveling Memorial Wall will be located for the weekend of Veterans Day.

Eric Flores mentioned that at the previous meeting there was a suggestion that the Flagler County Veteran of the Year award be in honor and in memory of Col Gary DeKay. Motion was made and passed unanimously.

New Business: None.

Good and Welfare: None.

Meeting adjourned at 4:50 p.m. The next meeting will be September 12, 2016 at 4:00 p.m.

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