



**City of Milpitas
Veterans Commission
Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, April 3, 2019
5:30 p.m.**

**Milpitas City Hall Committee Room
455 E. Calaveras Blvd.
Milpitas, CA 95035**

- I. **CALL TO ORDER:** Chair Ebright called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.
- II. **FLAG SALUTE:** Chair Ebright led the Pledge of Allegiance.
- III. **ROLL CALL**
Present: Ed Ackerman, William (Bill) Devereux, Arthur Ebright, Ricardo Martinez, Liliana Ramos, Edward Smythe, and Denny Weisgerber

Excused Absence: None

Late Attendance: None

Unexcused Absence: None

City Staff Present: Staff Liaison Dale Flunoy and Recording Secretary Pam Caronongan

Elected Officials Present: Mayor Rich Tran
- IV. **SEATING OF ALTERNATES:** Ricardo Martinez
- V. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA: April 3, 2019**
M/S: Ackerman / Weisgerber AYES: All
- VI. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES: February 6, 2019**
Minutes were approved with modifications indicated by Commission

M/S: Weisgerber / Ramos AYES: All
- VII. **PUBLIC FORUM**
Galen Boggs, Field Representative and Case Worker for United States Congressman Ro Khanna's office and Milpitas resident, introduced himself to the Commission.
- VIII. **ANNOUNCEMENTS / CORRESPONDENCE**
None

IX. NEW BUSINESS

1. Memorial Day Ceremony 2019

Discussions resumed regarding this year's ceremony. The Subcommittee shared with the Commission proposals pertaining the list of commemorated veterans, memorial wreaths, brochures, and other logistics for the event.

Motion: For the Commission to authorize the Subcommittee to act on the Commission's behalf in terms of working with and directing City staff on matters pertaining to Memorial Day Ceremony 2019.

M/S: Ackerman / Ebright

AYES: All

X. OLD BUSINESS

1. Veteran of the Year 2019

Proposals were discussed on how to increase applications for Veteran of the Year 2019 nominees. The Commission agreed to work with staff in using resources for outreach, including but not limited to the veterans database. It was also agreed that discussions regarding this matter will resume on the next regular Commission meeting.

2. Veterans Annual Luncheon 2019

Discussions and suggestions were made regarding this year's luncheon. Consensus was made to utilize the same caterer and logistical arrangements from last year.

Motion: For the Commission to move forward with the proposed event date, menu, and arrangements pertaining to the Veteran of the Year 2019 luncheon. The luncheon is scheduled for Saturday, November 16, 2019.

M/S: Smythe / Ackerman

AYES: All

3. Hot August Bites / Car Show 2019

Discussions were made regarding this year's event, including but not limited to registration, trophies, car show entries, live band, and award categories.

XI. LIAISON REPORTS

1. City Council Report

Mayor Tran requested staff to follow up and update the Commission on the City establishing sports center membership fee waiver for Milpitas veterans. Mayor Tran requested for staff to provide an update during the next regular meeting for the Commission.

2. Staff Report

None

XII. FUTURE AGENDA ITEM

- Adopt-A-Vet

XIII. NEXT MEETING

- Regular Meeting – Wednesday, June 5, 2019, at 5:30 p.m.

XIV. ADJOURNMENT – Chair Ebright adjourned the meeting at 6:22 p.m.

Draft Minutes respectfully submitted by:
Pam Caronongan, Recording Secretary