

**CITY OF LAKE STEVENS
VETERANS COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES**
Monday, June 4, 2019
Lake Stevens Fire Station 82 Conference Room
9811 Chapel Hill Road, Lake Stevens

CALL TO ORDER: 7:00 p.m. by Vice Chair Shawn Frederick

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: Shawn Frederick, Gayle McCurdy, Kim Daughtry, Kurt Hilt, Dennis Ives (7:05 p.m.)

COMMISSIONERS ABSENT: Samara Heydon, Marcus Tageant

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT: Kathy Pugh, City Clerk

Call to Order: Chair Frederick called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance: Chair Frederick led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call: Due to lack of a quorum roll call was not taken.

There was consensus to discuss agenda items with no action to be taken.

Public Comment:

Trent Lee, Children's Pastor at LifePoint Free Methodist Church in Lake Stevens, acknowledged that there are lots of active duty military and veterans in the community and his church is planning a Military Appreciation Day at Lundein Park on August 31. The event is intended to provide lots of activities for military and veteran families, and they are anticipating approximately 1,000 attendees. (Commissioner Ives arrived at 7:05 p.m.) Pastor Lee emphasized this event is not intended as a church event, but rather as a community event, and they would like to partner with the Veterans Commission and other community organizations and businesses to host this event.

Discussion ensued with members of the Veterans Commission being very supportive of this proposal and offering to assist. Pastor Lee invited commissioners to the upcoming planning committee meeting, and Commissioner McCurdy said she would attend.

Approval of Minutes: Minutes were not approved due to lack of a quorum.

Discussion/Action Items:

Upcoming Events:

Aquafest: Commissioner Daughtry updated that all the booths are spoken for. He commented that the configuration will be a little different than last year and that he does not yet know if the Legion booth will be on the west or east side of Main Street. Discussion ensued, and Commissioner Frederick commented he has a booth that he will transfer to the Veterans Commission. The plan is to again locate next to the Legion.

Veterans Day Event: Commissioner Frederick said the commission should plan something and ideas were discussed including a parade, a dine in/dine out event and a food truck event.

Chamber Expo: Commissioner Daughtry said there is not yet an event date; he suggested it may be scheduled in October, after school is underway.

Business Recognition Certificates: Commissioner Frederick will have the certificates printed at Alexander Printing, and Commissioner McCurdy will purchase certificate holders.

Commissioner Daughtry suggested presenting the certificates at a Council meeting, and Clerk Pugh suggested possibly the July 9th Council

Veterans Service Office/VA Work-Study Intern Program: These topics were discussed together with Commissioner Frederick saying he had made a contact who is curious and may be interested. Commissioner McCurdy said the Legion VSO would like to visit the commission and talk, and Commissioner Hilt contacted Congresswoman Suzan DelBene's office, and they suggested two possibilities. Regarding the intern program, Commissioner Daughtry said an intern could attend any of the community colleges or colleges in the area.

Non-Profit/Foundation Update: Commissioner Frederick reminded of the Foundation donation that is being sent, and Clerk Pugh will follow up.

Vacancies: Clerk Pugh said she is in the process of coordinating an interview date with the various interviewers and will schedule interviews once a date is determined.

Troop 42 Flag Retirement: Commissioner Ives said there is a Flag Retirement ceremony scheduled for June 15 from 12-2:00 p.m. at the triangle lot adjacent to Fire Station 81. He said there will be approximately 70-80 flags retired and he invited commissioners to attend.

Upcoming Agenda Items: Military Appreciation Day, Business Certificate Nominees.

Adjourn: There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 7:44 p.m.



Shawn Frederick, Chairman



Kathy Pugh, City Clerk