



**City of Milpitas
Approved Veterans Commission
Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, April 2, 2014
5:30 p.m.**

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

I. CALL TO ORDER: 5:30 p.m.

II. FLAG SALUTE: Chair Weisgerber led the Pledge of Allegiance.

III. ROLL CALL

Present: Denny Weisgerber, Dana Arbaugh, Art Ebright, David Grundstrom, Mel Hinshaw, Bruce Choy, and Liliana Ramos, Allen Thomas

Absent: Juan Samano (E)

IV. SEATING OF ALTERNATES: Liliana Ramos was seated as a voting member.

V. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Commissioner Hinshaw moved, and Commissioner Ramos seconded the motion to approve the agenda as submitted. The motion carried unanimously.

VI. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – Minutes of February 5, 2014

Commissioner Ebright moved, and Vice Chair Arbaugh seconded the motion to approve the minutes as submitted. The motion carried unanimously.

VII. PUBLIC FORUM: None

VIII. NEW BUSINESS:

1. Election of Officers – Chair Weisgerber

Chair Weisgerber asked the Commission for nominations for Chair and Vice Chair to serve for a term of one year.

Commissioner Ebright moved, and Vice Chair Arbaugh seconded the motion to nominate Denny Weisgerber as Chair. There were no other nominations.

Commissioner Ramos moved, and Commissioner Grundstrom seconded the motion to nominate Dana Arbaugh as Vice Chair. There were no other nominations.

Chair Weisgerber announced the nominations for Chair and Vice Chair were closed and since there was only one candidate for each position, he requested a “white ballot” declaring these two commissioners the Chair and Vice Chair for this year.

Commissioner Hinshaw moved, and Commissioner Choy seconded the motion for Denny Weisgerber to be the Chair and Dana Arbaugh to be the Vice Chair for this year, until the first meeting in 2015. The motion carried unanimously.

2. VTA - Discuss the Memorandum of Understanding – Chair Weisgerber

Chair Weisgerber discussed the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the Outreach & Escort Inc. and the Veterans Commission. He added the program has been working very well throughout the County providing veterans and their immediate family members affordable outreach service, and approval of the MOU is merely a formality and would assist the VTA receive grants for additional assistance.

Vice Chair Arbaugh moved, and Commissioner Hinshaw seconded the motion to approve the MOU between Outreach & Escort Inc. and the City of Milpitas Veterans Commission and also to advertise the program on the City web page, email blasts, and at special events. The motion carried unanimously.

IX. OLD BUSINESS

1. Milpitas Veterans Commission 2nd Annual Car Show – Staff Liaison Valdez

Staff Liaison Valdez reviewed the flyer, sponsor letter, and registration form. She stated Renee Lorentzen will be assisting this year as well. The Commission discussed revisions to the sponsor letter, registration form, flyer, and t-shirt.

It was the consensus of the Commission to add “Kids Choice” to the registration form and the sponsorship letter, add “Corporate Title” sponsors to the sponsorship letter, add a classic car graphic on the t-shirt, and to keep the t-shirt price at \$30.00.

Vice Chair Arbaugh volunteered to contact Tesla to see if they would be interested in a “Corporate Title” sponsorship. He also suggested that each commissioner concentrate on obtaining one corporate sponsor.

Vice Chair Arbaugh moved, and Commissioner Hinshaw seconded the motion to direct Staff Liaison Valdez to revise the car show material as noted and to email the commissioners the amended documents so it could move forward with the car show. The motion carried unanimously.

- X. COMMISSIONER ANNOUNCEMENTS:** Chair Denny Weisgerber announced he received an email regarding free training through the V.A. Veterans who join TechShop could receive up to \$350 worth of classes for free. He gave Staff Liaison Valdez a copy of the material for distribution to the commission. Staff Liaison Valdez said she would add this information to the City web site. Commissioner Ramos also announced that Cal Vet will be having Women’s Leadership training in May for Veterans. Vice Chair Arbaugh received a suggestion from a friend to advertise the car show in the “Ol’ Skool Rodz” magazine. He stated it was free and he would send the flyer to the magazine for their car show calendar.

XI. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS: Discussion of possible car show subcommittee

XII. LIAISON REPORTS

- A. City Council - Councilmember Debbie Indihar Giordano reported that at the April 1st City Council meeting there was discussion on the budget and the City will be adding back some key positions. She stated the City has managed through some tough times and looking much better now.
- B. Staff Report - Staff Liaison Valdez announced that the Annual Commissioners’ Recognition Luncheon will be held on April 26th, at 11:30 a.m. at the Community Center. She also reminded everyone attending to RSVP as soon as possible.

XIII. NEXT MEETING – Wednesday, June 4, 2014, at 5:30 p.m.

XIV. ADJOURNMENT – Chair Weisgerber adjourned the meeting at 6:18 p.m.