City of Milpitas  
Approved Veterans Commission  
Meeting Minutes  
Wednesday, September 17, 2014  
5:30 p.m.

Milpitas City Hall Human Resources Conference 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, Arthur Ebright, David Grundstrom, Bruce Choy, Liliana Ramos, Allen Thomas, and Andre Ramones

Absent:  Juan Samano (E), Dana Arbaugh (E)

IV. SEATING OF ALTERNATES:  Allen Thomas and Andre Ramones were seated as voting members.

V. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

VI. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – Minutes of August 20, 2014

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

VII. PUBLIC FORUM:  Ed Ackerman said he distributed over 100 flyers including entry forms at the Goodguys car show and received positive feedback.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS - None

IX. OLD BUSINESS

1. Car Show – Continue Discussion on Car Show in Milpitas – Chair Weisgerber

   Staff Liaison Valdez informed the Commission that City Staff Renee Lorentzen and Dale Flunoy would be updating the commissioners on the car show details. Staff Lorentzen said currently there are 24 car registrations and last year during this time, the Commission had 22. Staff Lorentzen told the commissioners she was not concerned about the amount of registrations and further stated it was very typical of car clubs to show up on the day of the event.
Staff Lorentzen reviewed the roster and stated email blasts were sent to last year’s participants and various car clubs. She said many forms of social media were used to advertise the event. Staff Lorentzen reviewed the letter to participants, the lay-out for the event, and added spacing will be the same as last year. Staff Flunoy reviewed the dog tags and DJ details.

Staff Lorentzen continued to review the car show breakdown including goodie bag items, raffle items, sponsors, the trophy categories, and assignments and schedule for car show day.

Commissioner Ebright moved, and Commissioner Grundstrom seconded the motion to approve the car show details as described and submitted by Staff Lorentzen. The motion carried unanimously.

Staff Liaison Valdez asked when the t-shirts would be ordered. Staff Lorentzen replied the t-shirts would be ordered two weeks before the show. Staff Liaison Valdez requested the commissioners to continue seeking goodie bag and raffle donations and to drop them off at the Human Resources Department where the bags will be assembled.

Commissioner Ebright informed the commissioners he attended the Sanchez Family car show in Alviso. He said there were approximately 300 to 400 cars, there was no entry fee, no trophies, and it was essentially a social event.

2. Veteran of the Year Nomination Form – Staff Liaison Carmen Valdez

Staff Liaison Valdez said she mailed the nomination form to everyone on the Veterans database and posted it on the City’s web site and cable channel. She stated she has not received any nominations to date and the deadline is October 3rd. Chair Weisgerber confirmed he has not received any nominations thus far.

X. COMMISSIONER ANNOUNCEMENTS: Commissioner Ramos distributed information on different Veteran events throughout the County.

XI. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS: Continue discussion on the car show, Veteran of Year nominations, and Veterans Day November 11th ceremony.

XII. LIAISON REPORTS

A. City Council – Councilmember Giordano stated Council adopted a water rationing ordinance and this should assist with conservation of water, economically the City is in sound shape, but now the City has this water issue to deal with and it is a state-wide issue.

B. Staff Report – There was no staff report.

XIII. NEXT MEETING – the regular meeting on Wednesday, October 1, 2014, at 5:30 p.m.

XIV. ADJOURNMENT – Chair Weisgerber adjourned the meeting at 6:20 p.m.