



City of Milpitas
Unapproved Veterans Commission Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, October 3, 2012
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, Juan Samano, Dana Arbaugh, Bruce Choy, Arthur Ebright, Mel Hinshaw, and David Grundstrom

Absent: Liliana Ramos (excused), Eladio Aolin (excused), Debbie Giordano (excused)

IV. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Staff Liaison Valdez corrected the Agenda date from October 4th to October 3rd. Commissioner Mel Hinshaw moved, and Commissioner Grundstrom seconded the motion to approve the Agenda as amended. The motion carried unanimously.

V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – Minutes of August 1, 2012

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

VI. PUBLIC FORUM - None

VII. NEW BUSINESS

1. List of Names of Veterans to Present to the Rules Committee for Possible Use of Naming of Facilities or Streets (City Manager Williams)

Staff Liaison Valdez informed the Commission she will be presenting this item since the City Manager had another meeting to attend. Staff Liaison Valdez stated developers are looking for potential names for new city streets. The current list of veterans has been exhausted and the Commission has been asked to compile a list of names to forward to the Rules Committee. Discussion followed regarding how the list could be compiled, that the deceased veterans should have a connection with Milpitas, and also contributed to the community.

Staff Liaison Valdez asked the Commission to email their submissions by October 15th. She stated she would compile the list and forward it to the Rules Committee and City Manager to review. The Rules Committee will review the list and forward the list to the City Council for final approval.

VIII. OLD BUSINESS

1. Potential Car Show in Milpitas

The Commission continued discussion on the potential car show in Milpitas. Chair Weisgerber informed the Commission that Mike Carr had surgery and was unable to attend the meeting. Chair Weisgerber shared information he received from Mr. Carr regarding the show. Discussion followed concerning recruitment of volunteers, sponsors, donations, trophies, food, sales of merchandise, vendor fees, location, date, and entertainment. Chair Weisgerber said Mr. Carr suggested the Commission recruit volunteers and then meet to discuss the show in more detail.

There was discussion about possible violation of the Brown Act if the entire Commission met with Mr. Carr to discuss the show outside a regularly scheduled Commission meeting. Staff Liaison Valdez said she would contact the City Attorney in regards to forming a subcommittee so the Commission could start organizing the event with Mr. Carr before the next meeting. Chair Weisgerber, Vice Chair Samano, and Commissioner Ebright volunteered for the subcommittee.

2. Veteran of the Year Award

Staff Liaison Valdez announced there were five nominations for the award. Chair Weisgerber said he would contact the potential selection committee and confirm their participation. Discussion followed regarding the process of selecting the Veteran of the Year. Chair and Vice Chair agreed to meet with the selection committee on October 17th to review the process with the committee.

3. Proper Flag Protocol

Staff Liaison Valdez distributed the "flag protocol" handout for a final review by the Commission. There were no revisions or additions at that time. Staff Liaison Valdez informed the Commission that the recreation staff will laminate the cards and they will be available at the Veterans Day Ceremony and for future use by the Commission.

4. Participation in the Town Hall Meeting

Staff Liaison Valdez said the Community Advisory Commission (CAC) received so many participants that they didn't have room for every Commission to take part in the Town Hall meeting. Staff Liaison Valdez said she would notify Samantha Beard, the Chair of the CAC, and inform her that the Veterans Commission decided not to participate in October 11th event due to the overwhelmingly response and lack of space. Staff Liaison Valdez showed the Commission its new banner for any future events and informed the members the banner will be stored at City Hall.

5. Veterans Day Ceremony

Commissioner Samano reported about the Veterans Day Ceremony planning with Recreation staff. He discussed the link he sent to Dale Flunoy (Recreation staff) and different variations to the ceremony. The Commission agreed to include a single chair with a black cloth, a flag, and a flower. Commissioner

Samano said he would email Dale Flunoy with the final details of the ceremony and logistics of the chair

IX. COMMISSIONER ANNOUNCEMENTS

Dana Arbaugh announced the Public Library has a Veterans display case. It is approximately twenty percent the size of the case in City Hall. The U.S. Navy and U.S. Air Force are represented but needs representation from the Marine Corp. and the Army and asked for any contributions from the Commission. Chair Weisgerber stated he would provide his cross, picture, and citation for the display.

Chair Weisgerber informed the Commission of Veterans Day ceremonies in the area including Milpitas City Hall at 9:00 a.m., San Jose Parade at 11:30 a.m., Cupertino ceremony at 11:00 a.m. centered on the Korean War, and Santa Clara at 3:00 p.m.

X. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS - Update/Revisit Work Plan

XI. LIAISON REPORTS – No reports by City Council or staff.

XII. NEXT MEETING – Wednesday, December 5, 2012

XIII. ADJOURNMENT – 6:19 p.m.