



**City of Milpitas**  
**Approved Veterans Commission Meeting Minutes**  
**Wednesday, May 1, 2013**  
**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, Arthur Ebright, David Grundstrom, Bruce Choy, Liliana Ramos, Ferdinand Luis, Jr., and Mel Hinshaw

**Absent:** Juan Samano and Debbie Indihar Giordano

**IV. SEATING OF ALTERNATES:** Liliana Ramos was seated.

**V. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

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

**VI. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – Minutes of April 3, 2013**

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

**VII. PUBLIC FORUM:** None

**VIII. NEW BUSINESS**

1. Memorial Day Ceremony

Chair Weisgerber encouraged all commissioners to attend the ceremony and suggested staff replace the shabby flags before the ceremony. Staff Liaison Valdez advised there would be a Veterans table at the Ceremony and commissioners are welcome to bring items for the table. She stated the ceremony is scheduled for May 27<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 a.m.

2. Veteran of the Year – Nomination and Timeline

Chair Weisgerber suggested having the nomination forms available for the Memorial Day Ceremony. Staff Liaison said she attached a copy of the form with the agenda for the Commission to review. Discussion followed regarding the form and October 4, 2013 was selected as the deadline date for submissions. Staff Liaison Valdez asked the Commission to review the flyer and to email any revisions to her within the next week. She stated the flyers will be available at the Memorial Day Ceremony.

**IX. OLD BUSINESS**

1. Car Show

The Commission reviewed the sponsorship letter and registration form. Discussion followed regarding the possible award categories, spacing for the vehicles, submitting the lay-out of the vehicles to the Planning Department, locating the food trucks in a nearby parking lot adjacent to the senior center, parking for participants, and using the Community Center as an area of operations. Vice Chair Arbaugh suggested preparing a flyer announcing the upcoming car show and placing the flyers on the table at the Memorial Day Ceremony. Commissioner Ebright distributed a flyer for an upcoming car show at NewPark Mall and suggested commissioners attend the event to familiarize themselves with a car show similar in size to Milpitas' event.

2. Donations Received from the Public for the Commission in Honor of a Veteran of Milpitas

Chair Weisgerber stated additional donations had been submitted and the total is approximately \$475. He suggested purchasing a bronze plaque for Henry Mattos and placing it at the bottom of a bench currently in the memorial plaza. He stated the cost is approximately \$300 to \$400 for the plaque. Chair Weisgerber said he would report back at the next meeting with the cost and details. He also suggested having the dedication at the Veterans Ceremony. The Commission agreed with purchasing a plaque and having the dedication at the Veterans Ceremony in November. There was discussion regarding implementing a policy on managing future donations to the Commission. Staff Liaison Valdez stated she would agendize this issue for a future meeting after the car show. Chair Weisgerber added he would also like to discuss replacing the concrete around the memorial with paver stones or bricks which could be purchased by individuals as memorials. Staff Liaison Valdez said she would agendize both matters for a future meeting.

**X. COMMISSIONER ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Dana Arbaugh informed the Commission Chair Weisgerber and he assisted Harriet McGuire arrange the military memorabilia in the glass cabinet at City Hall. He stated there was room for additional items and encouraged commissioners to bring in items for the display case.

**XI. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS** – There was nothing to add for the next meeting.

**XII. LIAISON REPORTS**

A. City Council – None

B. Staff Report – Staff Liaison Valdez said she would submit the application to the Planning Department and will notify the subcommittee regarding the plot plan. She also stated the Commission's work plan was approved by the City Council. She said she would make arrangements with the new commissioners regarding the Brown Act training and taking pictures for the Veterans Commission web site.

**XIII. NEXT MEETING** – Wednesday, June 5, 2013

**XIV. ADJOURNMENT** – 6:15 P.M.