



## County of El Dorado Meeting Minutes Veteran Affairs Commission

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William “Bill” Scrivani, District IV – Alternate Timothy Page  
Robert “Bob” Sweatt, District V – Alternate Phillip Houseworth  
Lance Poinsett, Secretary Ex-Officio  
William E. Schultz, Interim Director, Dept. of Veteran Affairs  
Patricia Morello, Recording Clerk of Veteran Affairs Commission

**Thursday, April 12, 2018 @ 12:00 noon**

**VFW Post 9241  
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### CALL TO ORDER 1203 hours PLEDGE ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

#### ROLL CALL

	Present	Absent
<b>District I</b>	Poimiroo, Smith	
<b>District II</b>	Thompson	Reynolds
<b>District III</b>	Raffetto	Parsons
<b>District IV</b>	Scrivani, Page	
<b>District V</b>	Houseworth	Sweatt

#### INTRODUCTION AND WELCOME OF GUESTS

Mark Spaugh, VFW Post 9241 Building Manager; Jesse Hanschild, VFW Post 9241 Quartermaster; Mark Troland, VFW Post 9241 Commander; Tracey DiVita, Operation Good To Go; R. Austin Wiswell; Frank M. Clark, VFW Post 9241 Vice Commander; David Zelinsky, American Legion Post 119, Service Officer; Michael Ranalli, District IV County Board of Supervisor.

**ADOPTION OF AGENDA AND APPROVAL OF CONSENT CALENDAR** (All items on the Consent Calendar are to be approved by one motion unless a Commission member requests separate action on a specific item including moving items to or from the Consent Calendar and adopt the Agenda and the Consent Calendar for discussion. At the appropriate time as called by the Chair, members of the public may make a comment on matters on the Consent Calendar prior to action.

### CONSENT CALENDAR

1. Recording Clerk of the Veteran Affairs Commission recommending the Commission approve the MINUTES (minor typo corrections) of the regular meeting of March 8, 2018.
2. Secretary Ex-Officio recommending the Commission approves the payment of mileage reimbursement claims for April.

District	Name	
I	Smith	50.79
	Poimiroo	31.83
II	Thompson	18.19
	Reynolds	0
III	Raffetto	18.19
	Parsons	0
IV	Scrivani	27.39
	Page	0
V	Sweatt	0
	Houseworth	29.96
	<b>Total</b>	<b>176.35</b>

Motion to approve consent calendar, by John Poimiroo; seconded by Phillip Houseworth, approved.

### END OF CONSENT CALENDAR

### ACTION ITEMS

- Annual Report – Todd Smith/Lance Poinsett (continued to next month)

### EX-OFFICIO REPORT – *Receive and file.*

### COMMITTEE REPORTS –

- **TOT (Transient Occupancy Tax)** (Raffetto/Scrivani)
  - Report on CAO Legistar Item 18-0372, presentation on 03/13/2018 and discussion.
  - Intern update Lance Poinsett – reference Ex-Officio report.
- **RULES** (Smith/Scrivani)
  - By-Laws update Lance Poinsett – it's in que system.
- **LEGISLATIVE** (Raffetto/Smith) – Amendment to current CA Education Code; Community colleges academic credit for prior military experience is making progress.
- **TRANSPORTATION** (Sweatt/Thompson)
  - DAV Mather Hospital transportation – to be continued.
  - Local non-profit may benefit from donated vehicle, details to follow by next meeting.
- **BUDGET** (Parsons/Poimiroo)
  - Veteran Affairs Department reorganization. John Poimiroo request estimated financial cost from HHSA on providing specialized support on various programs that may affect the Veteran Affairs budget.
- **EDUCATION & EMPLOYMENT** (Sweatt/Houseworth)

- **SOCIAL MEDIA** (Scrivani/Poimiroo)

### COMMUNICATIONS' REPORTS

- **AD HOC** (Veterans Memorial Building – Veterans House Council) – *Receive and file minutes*
- **AMERICAN LEGION SERVICE OFFICER** – *Receive and file*
- **FRIENDS OF THE VETERANS MONUMENT** – *Receive and file*
- **EL DORADO VETERAN RESOURCES – A PERMANENT STAND DOWN** – Bill Scrivani reports the office reconfiguration is completed, a special thanks to all county workers who helped make this happen, we have seen 90 clients since our opening and recruiting more volunteers. Only Kindness recently was awarded a grant, which in part, will assist veterans; we are partnering with them to provide referral services, and now in the agreement phase and soon program development. Transportation is a critical element, the Veteran Affairs Office and other community agencies and organizations are collaborating for solutions.

### NEW BUSINESS

- Vet Court Mentorship Program – Bill Scrivani reports presiding Veteran Treatment Court Judge Vicki Ashworth is committed to making this program shine. One special person the participants look up to is Tracey DiVita and several special programs, of which is equine therapy. Tracey DiVita spoke about equine therapy and the successful results.
- “E-Bike” Program – Todd Smith reports in collaboration with Julie LeConte on the progress E-bike so it can be given to a veteran, there may be a plan expansion in the near future.

### PUBLIC FORUM - GOOD OF THE ORDER

- Phillip Houseworth comment on recent Mountain Democrat article about local sheriff program that helps transients head home, up until this point, deputies have been paying for things out-of-pocket or helping them find temporary work.
- Operation Good To Go, Tracey DiVita reports the enormous gratification and morale boost received from both sides that this non-profit serves.
- Kurt Raffetto shared concerns about the “veteran solicitors” at Wal-Mart, reported to the DA.
- John Poimiroo discussed a positive outcome of a Department client.

### NEXT MEETING LOCATION, DATE & TIME

12 noon on May 10, 2018, Veteran Memorial Building, 130 Placerville Drive, Placerville CA 95667

**ADJOURNMENT** 1315 hours.