

# Veterans Memorial Commission (VMC) Meeting Minutes

## October 2, 2023

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1. Call To Order – 7:00pm
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Invocation
4. Roll Call: *Names are **bolded**\* for those members who were in attendance*  
John Gonzales (Chairperson), **\*Victor Ponce (Vice Chairperson)**, **\*Francine King (Secretary)**,  
**\*Jeffery Bornefeld**, Mark Hoernschemeyer, **\*Mark Sloan**, **\*Mike Sloan**, **\*Kimberly Thompson**  
**(Alternate)**, **Lonnie Williamson**, Bob Zahner (Alternate)

Aldermanic Representative: **\*Alderman Sartorius**

Military Advisor: **\*Terri Violet**

City Staff Representative: **\*Cody J. Walker**

Other Guests: N/A

5. Approval of Minutes:
  - a. September 2023 – Motion Jeff B.; 2<sup>nd</sup> Mike S.
6. Public Comments:
  - a. Current St. Peters Veteran Service Organizations (VSO)
    - i. American Veterans (AMVETS)
    - ii. American Legion
    - iii. Marine Corps League
    - iv. Vietnam Veterans of America (VVA)
  - b. St. Peters VSO Flags
    - i. Display the flags from each of the St. Peters VSOs; Rotate the time equally between each of the current organizations, starting with the VVA flag for 4Q2023  
Motion: Jeff B.; 2<sup>nd</sup> Mark S.
  - c. Korean War Armistice Day Event – St. Charles County Veterans Museum
    - i. Several VMC members attended the event that was postponed from the summer and rescheduled for September 2023
  - d. Veterans Crisis Hotline
    - i. In case of crisis Veterans should dial **988** for help
7. Hall of Honor Applications – posted twice a year Memorial Day and Veterans Day
  - a. Approved
    - i. Harold R. Moore – Army  
  
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8. Business items for Discussion

a. Veterans Day November 11, 1919: Ceremony Saturday, November 11, 2023 (observed)

i. Reviewed program outline

- Ceremony will be held indoors
- Guest speakers confirmed
- City will provide refreshment
- Color and Honor Guard Participation
  - a. Previous motion accepted to keep St. Peters VSOs in color and honor guard (September 2023)
  - b. Veterans Day - St. Peters VSOs only (due to limited indoor spacing)
  - c. Memorial Day – Other organizations may be included to line up around the event but not part of the guard

b. Actions

Date	Action / Motion	Responsible Person	Status
September 2023	Cody to provide size of VFW flag so that other organizations can rotate through  <i>Response: 3 x 5 ft</i>	Cody W.	Closed
September 2023	Verify alternate acceptable service documents (other than DD Form 214) that can be used to support Hall of Fame Application  <i>Response: No alternate document will be accepted; DD214 is issued to service members, completing active and/or reserve duty, that have served in the U.S. Armed Forces and met the minimum service requirements and time period; reference va.gov</i>	Terri V.	Closed
October 2023	Propose a color/honor guard standard for VMC ceremonies participation	Jeff B. Mark S. Victor P.	New
October 2023	Purple Heart designated parking is needed for 370 Lakeside Park	Cody W.	New

9. Next Meeting – Monday, November 6, 2023, at 7pm

10. Meeting Adjourned 8:14pm (Motion Jeff B; 2<sup>nd</sup> Mike S)

*FDK-11/6/2023*