

# Veterans Memorial Commission (VMC) Meeting Minutes

## November 2, 2020

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1. Call To Order – 7:05pm
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Invocation
4. Roll Call: *Names are **bolded** for those members who were in attendance*  
**John Gonzales (Chairperson)**, (Vice Chairperson – vacant), **Francine King (Secretary)**, **Robert Blake**, Noah Bond, **Joseph P. Brown**, Jim Higgins, Mark McReal, **Ericka Oxford**, **Victor Ponce**, **Kerry Sloan**, Brittany Smith, Bob Zahner (Alternate), Len Berkel (Advisor)

Aldermanic Representatives: **Alderman Terri Violet**

Guests – **Cody Walker (City Representative)**, **Mark Hoernschemeyer (St. Charles Marine Corps League)**

5. Approval of Minutes:
  - a. March 2020 – Approved; Robert Blake; 2<sup>nd</sup> Victor Ponce
  - b. October 2020 – Approved with minor correction; Ericka Oxford; 2<sup>nd</sup> Robert Blake
    - i. Alderman Violet did not attend the October 2020 meeting

*(Signed copies provided to City Representative Cody Walker)*

6. Public Comments:
  - a. Patriot Guard Riders Special Recognition – Bob Smith
    - i. December 1, 2020, at 11am
    - ii. Pezold Banquet & Meeting Center (Formerly Knights of Columbus Hall - Cottleville)
      - 5701 Hwy N, St. Charles, MO 63304
    - iii. Masks are HIGHLY RECOMMENDED
  - b. St. Charles County Veterans Museum will be open on Veterans Day 10am – 5pm
    - i. 410 E. Elm, O’Fallon, MO 63366
    - ii. Website: [stcharlescountyveteransmuseum.org](http://stcharlescountyveteransmuseum.org)
  - c. Toys For Tots Warehouse 2020
    - i. Sponsored by St. Charles Marine Corps League
    - ii. First time in 10 years located in St. Charles County
    - iii. Address: 100 Jungermann Road, St. Charles, MO (Old Shop n’ Save building)
    - iv. Register on line to donate, volunteer, register your business for boxes
    - v. Website: ???
    - vi. Accepting toys for children ages: infant – 14 years old
    - vii. Last day for toy distribution – December 20, 2020

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- d. Discussion: VMC Shirts for new members
  - i. Approved during March 2, 2020 VMC
  - ii. Shirts were not purchased during 2020 budget period due to Covid pandemic – business closures, cancellation of VMC meetings and events after March 15, 2020
  - iii. 2020 budget monies are no longer available (budgeting cycle closed September 2020)
  - iv. VMC proposed instead of polo shirts we should investigate the purchase of name tags – Motion approved Victor Ponce; 2<sup>nd</sup> Kerry Sloan
  
- e. Discussion: VMC Membership Vacancies
  - i. Cody Walker to verify the number of open positions per ward
  - ii. Accepting New members
  
- f. Discussion: Hall of Honor Application
  - i. Suggested Additional Edits/Clarifications
    - Clarification: Most recent DD214 is required
    - Addition (Branch of Service) – add U.S. Space Force
  
- 7. Veterans Day November 11, 1919 – Ceremony Wednesday, November 11, 2020 (observed) has been **CANCELLED** by the city due to current corona virus pandemic
  - a. St. Peters TV will air highlights of previous events
  
- 8. Pearl Harbor Day December 7, 1941 – Ceremony Monday, December 7, 2020 (observed) has been **CANCELLED** by the city due to current corona virus pandemic
  
- 9. Hall of Honor Applications – posted twice a year Memorial Day and Veterans Day
  - a. Approved:
    - i. Albert H. Williams – Air Force
  
- 10. Next Meeting – Monday, December 7, 2020, at 7pm
  
- 11. Meeting Adjourned 8:18pm (Joe Brown; 2<sup>nd</sup> Victor Ponce)

Meeting minutes prepared by – Francine King, Secretary

*Ernie C. Dool*  
12/7/20