



Veterans' Affairs Committee  
Wednesday, November 13, 2019 at 6:00 pm  
City Manager's Conference Room – 1st Floor  
City Hall, 255 W. Alameda, Tucson, Arizona

## Legal Action Report and Summary Minutes

**\*Revised**

### 1. Call to Order / Establish a Quorum

Meeting called to order by Chairperson Bruce Hamilton at 6:00 p.m. Those present and absent were:

#### Present:

Carol Rundell

C.W. Hall

William Burks

Kevin Dumas

Phyllis Russell

Terry Byron

Henry Johnson

William Wojciechowski

Robert "Bob" Slocum

Luke Johnson

Joel Stoltz

Mark Levine

Bruce Hamilton

Martin Belden

Melvin Morgan

Peter Kane (**Advisory Member**)

#### Absent:

Gary Ochoa

Shaun Pfund

#### Staff Member Present:

Jaime Corrales

#### Representing:

Disabled American Veterans Auxiliary,  
Cactus Chapter 2

Disabled American Veterans Chapter 4

Disabled American Veterans Chapter 26

Disabled American Veterans Chapter 28

Esperanza En Escalante

Marine Corps League, Marana Night Hawk 72

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and Post 81 Scottish American Military Society  
of Southern Arizona

Military Officers Association of America,  
Tucson Chapter

Military Order of the Purple Heart

Southern Arizona VA Health Care System

Tucson Jewish War Veterans Post 201

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Tucson Veterans Serving Veterans

Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter 106

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Tucson Airport Authority

#### Representing:

Arizona Department of Veteran's Services

Tucson Veterans Cemetery Group

City Clerk's Office, Recording Secretary

### 2. Pledge of Allegiance

### 3. Invocation

The invocation was given by Committee Henry Johnson.

### 4. Introduction of Guests

Marlon Ruiz

Military Order of World Wars, Region XIII

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**5. Approval of Legal Action Report and Summary Minutes from May 8, 2019 meeting**

No discussion was held. It was moved by Committee Member C.W. Hall, duly seconded, and carried by a voice vote of 14 to 0 (Committee Members Gary Ochoa and Shaun Pfund absent), to approve the Legal Action Report and Summary Minutes from the October 9, 2019 meeting.

**6. Treasurer's Report**

Report was given by Committee Member M. Belden, and the financial report was distributed. A discussion was held. It was moved by Committee Member C.W. Hall, duly seconded, and carried by a voice vote of 14 to 0 (Committee Members Gary Ochoa and Shaun Pfund absent), to accept the October 2019 Financial Report.

**7. Consideration/Approval of Members**

No appointments to consider. Discussion was held regarding Committee Member Melvin Morgan, for his reappointment during the December 11, 2019 meeting. No formal action taken.

**8. Committee Reports**

**a. Southern Arizona VA (Veterans' Affairs) Health Care System**

Committee Member Luke Johnson informed the committee of the new Veterans Mental Health Council. He stated that they meet the second Wednesday of every month at 10 am in Building 90. Information fliers were provided to all members.

**b. Tucson Veterans Cemetery**

No report was given.

**c. Arizona Department of Veterans' Services**

No report was given.

**9. Four Chaplains Memorial Ceremony Update/Discussion**

Committee Member Terry Byron informed the committee that she had submitted her request for use of the park. She also stated that Chaplain Zink would be available to assist her with the event.

**10. Military Lounge Update/Discussion**

Committee Member Joel Stoltz stated that he recently visited lounge. He informed the committee of the progress on the remodeling. He stated that TIA tentatively plans to reopen before Thanksgiving, and is awaiting final details to complete the remodeling.

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**11. Operation Exodus Update/Discussion**

Peter Kane informed the committee that Military presence would begin on or about December 17, 2019. Committee Member Martin Belden asked for a list of supplies needed for purchase. Peter Kane also stated that volunteers were always welcome to participate.

**12. Hats Off to Heroes Update/Discussion**

No report was given

**\*13. Report on Current Events: For the Good of the Order**

Reports regarding various upcoming events were provided by Committee Members M. Belden, **C. Rundell**, T. Byron, H. Johnson, M. Levine and L. Johnson

**14. Nomination of Officers**

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| • <b>Chairperson</b>             | Committee Member Bruce Hamilton |
| • <b>Senior Vice Chairperson</b> | Committee Member Luke Johnson   |
| • <b>Junior Vice Chairperson</b> | Committee Member Gary Ochoa     |
| • <b>Treasurer</b>               | Committee Member Martin Belden  |
| • <b>Judge Advocate</b>          | Committee Member CW Hall        |

**15. Future Agenda Items:**

- Reappointment of Melvin Morgan
- Invite new mayor to January VAC meeting/Four Chaplains Memorial
- Election of officers

**16. Salute to Colors**

**17. Adjournment**

Meeting adjourned at 6:40 pm