



Mayor's Office of  
Veteran's Affairs

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Membership  
Authorized: 12  
Actual: 11  
Vacancies: 0  
Pending: 1

## Veterans and Military Affairs Advisory Board

### Agenda

Wednesday  
October 18, 2017  
9:15 - 11:00 AM

New Mexico Veterans' Memorial  
1100 Louisiana Blvd. SE

*Ovacancies.  
- 1 no show so  
technically 1 vacancy*

1) Call Meeting to Order @ 9:16

✓ 2) Approval of Minutes from Previous Meeting (9/20/2017) Pat Eastm

3) Public Comments (5 Minute Limit) N/A

*Roger mentioned the was present  
unknown if his  
position w/ new mayor.*

4) Old Business

- o Albuquerque Employee Coins
- o Hiring Preference & bus program - policy -
- o Membership - ordinance
- o Projects - Questionnaire
- o Legislation - Alan Martinez will be present next mtg.
- o Update Future Events Sat. Nov. 11 - Vets Day

5) New Business - handed out certificates to all members  
6) Setting of Future Meetings Nov. on behalf of the City.

7) Adjourn @ 10:28

14 Nov -  
Roger recognition  
for his job while  
here.

Roger gave out City employee coin.  
Mike had NMVBA cards made to  
advertise.

*Jan 28-29 2018  
Business mtg*

*have questions  
sent in for  
projects to  
work on - to  
support vets.*

*Rog submitted a set  
of questions today.*

*Discussion of "no-one knows  
we are here" so how  
do people find the group?*

*new national VETS card - soon to  
be released. what it will allow - (bus pass, fairrunner, etc.)  
is unknown.*

*- for Board members to have a meeting w/ new mayor to set opening to mayor  
to meet & see future of this group. & Rogers position.*

**VETERANS & MILITARY AFFAIRS ADVISORY BOARD  
SIGN-IN SHEET**

Wednesday, October 18, 2017

**MEMBERS:**

Attendance Signature:		End of Term Date	Term #	Board Member:	Phone Number:	Email Address:
1	<i>Roger Newall</i>			Roger Newall - Chairman, Mayor's Office, Veterans' Affairs Liaison		
2	<i>Archie Garcia</i>	Sep-16	2nd	Archie Garcia - Vice-Chair	505-414-8043	agarcia@vpacinc.org
3	<i>S. Overman</i>	Sep-18	2nd	Steve Overman	505-331-9742	overman45@yahoo.com
4	<i>Pat Gaston</i>	Sep-18	2nd	Pat Gaston	505-610-0787	pgvulcan@yahoo.com
5	<i>Brian Leen</i>	Sep-18	2nd	Brian Leen	505-856-0203	bleen68@ad.com
6	<i>Jonathan Strawn</i>	Sep-18	1st	Jonathan Strawn	505-750-1138	jstrawn168@yahoo.com
7	<i>Chris Timm</i>	Sep-18	1st	Chris Timm	505-238-8174	BIGCHRIS41@aol.com
8	<i>Mike Scramski</i>	Sep-18	1st	Mike Scramski	505-269-9002	mike@apowerwash.us
9	<i>Martin Ethridgehill</i>	Sep-18	1st	Martin Ethridgehill		methridgehill@aol.com
10	<i>Johnathan Pena</i>	Sep-19	1st	Johnathan Pena	505-926-4150	jpena@sheepdogstrategic.com
11	<i>Ray Barrera</i>	Sep-19	1st	Ray Barrera	505-610-9512	thewitgroup@yahoo.com
12	<i>Mike Mitchell</i>	Pending		Mike Mitchell	706-615-8380	michael.l.mitchell.mil@mail.mil
	<i>Beth Hemmerich</i>	Secretary		Beth Hemmerich	505-256-2046	bhemmerich@cabq.gov

Public and Guest Attendees:		Phone Number:	Email Address:
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# Veterans' and Military Affairs Advisory Board

New Mexico Veterans' Memorial

October 18, 2017

## Minutes

### Those Present:

Roger Newall, Archie Garcia, Steve Overman, Brian Leen, Chris Timm, Mike Scramski, Ray Barrera, and Mike Mitchell  
SECRETARY: Beth Hemmerich

### Those Excused:

Pat Gaston, Jonathan Strawn, Martin Ethridgehill, and Jonathan Pena

- I. Meeting Called to Order by Chairman Roger Newall at 9:16 am
- II. Review and Accept of Minutes from September 20, 2017
  - The motion to accept the September minutes was approved.
- III. Public Comments
  - No public comments were made.
- IV. Old Business
  - Albuquerque Employee Coins – still giving out the remaining coins. There remain approximately 100 coins.
  - Hiring Preference – Roger confirmed that the hiring preference and bus pass are written into policy.
  - Membership – There are zero vacancies on the board. All positions have been filled. However, there is one member who has not been to a meeting and after being a “no-show” his position can be considered vacant. Roger needs to let this person know that they have been removed from their position.
  - Projects – No updates. There was discussion for a questionnaire to be sent for projects that the group would like to support and work on, to support veterans. This item will need to be re-discussed to finalize.
  - Legislation – No updates. It was brought up that Alan Martinez will be present at the November meeting, to discuss legislation.
  - Update Future Events –
    - November 11<sup>th</sup> is the Veterans Day Ceremony at the NMVM. Musical prelude will begin at 10:00am. Ceremony starts at 11:00am.
- V. New Business
  - Roger handed out certificates to the members of the board, as appreciation for their dedication, on behalf of the City of Albuquerque.
  - There was discussion that the general public does not know this group exists and it's very difficult to find the group online. The question remains of “how do we get the word out that this group is here?”
- VI. Setting of Future Meetings – The next meeting will take place on November 15 at 9:15 am we will meet at the NMVM.
- VII. Adjourn – 10:28am.