



Mayor's Office of
Veteran's Affairs

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Membership
Authorized: 12
Actual: 9
Vacancies: 3
Pending: 0

Steve Overman, Mike Saramsci, Chris Timms,
Roger Newall, Pat Easton, John Hemmerich,
Guest: Ray - Drop In: Bryan O'Keefe
Veterans and Military Affairs Advisory Board

Agenda

Wednesday
December 21, 2016
9:00 - 11:00 AM

New Mexico Veterans' Memorial
1100 Louisiana Blvd. SE

- 1) Call Meeting to Order @ 9:10 / @ 10:15
- 2) Approval of Minutes from Previous Meeting (11/16/2016) ✓
- 3) Public Comments (5 Minute Limit) *Discussion on what this group is - why we are formed. our goal. - the initiative*
- 4) Old Business
 - a) Albuquerque Employee Coins - *Still giving out.*
 - b) Hiring Preference - *Still @ 10-12%*
 - c) Membership - *spaces still open - Roger talking to one person but not confirmed.*
 - d) Projects - *homelessness & they need to want to not be homeless*
 - e) Legislation - *starts Jan. 17*
 - f) Update Future Events *Jan. 18? Feb. 15*
- 5) New Business - *Meeting w/ State Veterans Committee. City problem is empowering. Unless pan handling*
- 6) Setting of Future Meetings *is impeding w/ traffic - it's not illegal.*
- 7) Adjourn

** Roger 2nd wed. of month for newcomers. Wants to start a new project. - a display uses on base that info of bus passers, train, etc. & rotate through libraries in ABQ. help veterans get library pass but also showcase what the City has done for veterans & is doing for veterans. In 2017 Roger will meet with Dana Feldman who manages libraries to see about this potential project.*

RAY
BARRERA
JR.

Sr. Centers starting 2nd phase in 2017

-190 days in first round.

Thur. *Feb. 23, 2017
- Veterans Day in the roundhouse.
9:00-2:00

-PPP celebration/name tags
-Adventures
-create Jan. 21
-email all others
-TED Board follow up.

Mrs. Navarrete - the fisher house. - Fisher house changed name. - will be a committee to decide which art will be in the house. will start building in Jan.

VIC - Elmore - land - transferred to Community Services. waiting for the land to go up to bid.



Veterans' and Military Affairs Advisory Board

New Mexico Veterans' Memorial

November 16, 2016

Minutes

Those Present:

Roger Newall, Archie Garcia, Brian Leen,, Steve Overman, Mike Scramski and Chris Timm,

SECRETARY: Beth Hemmerich

Those Excused:

Pat Gaston, Jonathan Strawn, and Martin Ethridgehill

I. Meeting Called to Order by Chairman Roger Newall at 9:00 am

II. Review and Accept of Minutes from October 19, 2016

- The motion to accept the September minutes was approved.
- No changes or corrections

III. Presentation

The Board departed the NMVM and arrived at the 377th Air Base Wing at Kirtland Air Force Base for a private presentation on the Bulks Fuel Facility (BFF) presented by Ms. Kathryn Lynnes, HQE.

The presentation was very informative on the updates of what has been happening around the area of the leak and where the spill had flowed (potential exposure pathway). There was a brief history of the spill and leak discovery. Ms. Lynnes gave a detailed account of the actions that KAFB is taking to rectify the situation by removing any and all traces of contamination. The groundwater cleanup has been running tests on their groundwater extraction wells, and it has been found that there is less than .1 parts per billion, which more than meets Water Quality Control levels.

Ms. Lynnes informed the group that the spill does not pose a threat and the risk level is safe.

- Drinking water provided by the Albuquerque Bernalillo County Water Utility Authority (ABCWUA) continues to be free of any detectable fuel contamination and is safe for all uses. Public drinking water wells near the groundwater contamination plums are tested monthly and show no level of detection of any fuel components. Sentinel wells, which are monitoring wells located between the drinking water wells and the contamination plume, are tested quarterly and show no detections.
- Surface soil contamination never migrated off Kirtland. Surface soil contamination has only occurred at the Kirtland Air Force Base Bulk Fuels Facility industrial area which is not accessible to the general public. Contaminated soil has been excavated and removed for off-site disposal.
- There is no pathway for contaminants to enter surface water.
- Homes and businesses are not at risk for vapor contamination. There is no off-Base surface or near-surface soil contamination, and groundwater contaminants are too deep, to allow vapors to enter homes or buildings.
- There is no risk of contamination to garden vegetables. ABCWUA water is safe for irrigation. There is no off-Base surface soil contamination, and vapors from groundwater are too deep, for fuel to contaminate garden vegetables.
- There is no risk of contamination to people enjoying recreational activities in Bullhead Park or in the Dog Park. Reclaimed ABCWUA water is used to irrigate the parks. There is no off-Base surface soil contamination and vapors from groundwater are too deep, to pose a risk to people in the park.

IV. Setting of Future Meetings – December 21 at 9:00 am we will meet at the NM Veterans' Memorial.

V. Adjourn – 11:00 am.