

Southfield Veteran's Commission Meeting Minutes

Meeting: Monday, September 11, 2017

Commissioners Present:

Chairman, Mr. Gregory Pulliam
Asst. Chairman, Mr. Gerald Houston
Secretary, Mrs. Marie Watson
Mr. Benjamin Clark
Mr. Timothy Wirkus

Absent:

Treasurer, Dr. Rodney Caruthers -approved off until January 2018 for work.

Professional Staff: Lt. Christine Miller -emailed that she would not be in attendance due to a police investigation.

Guests:

Danny Craig 14th District Chairman of Veteran's Committee

6:30 – Called to Order by Chairman Pulliam

6:30 - Meeting opened with Pledge of Allegiance

Mr. Wirkus moved to accept meeting minutes changing the name of our guests name and adding Congresswoman "Brenda" Lawrence to Veteran's benefits. Mr. Houst on seconded the motion and it passed.

There was no Treasurer's update this month.

There was no report on the Veteran's History Project for this moth.

Hotline update – there were 4 calls since June on the hotline. They were all calls on where to go for assistance.

Veteran's Job Fair on August 24 held at the Library in conjunction with Michigan Works. Mr. Wirkus got a call from Jonathan the end of July asking permission to use our name. Mr. Houston attended and said there were more employers than veterans in attendance. Mr. Wirkus expect this to happen again in the future.

Mr. Wirkus also got an email from Kelly at the Library saying they were holding a Veteran's Benefits Seminar and would we help. Mr. Wirkus told her we would help but that he didn't recognize the main speaker and asked what were his credentials. She never answered the email so he called 2x for the information to no avail.

Danny Craig announced that WCCC had a Veteran's seminar on July 25. They had 63 vendors, senators and Tyrone Chapman from MVF. They plan to repeat it on 11/13 at the westside campus.

Danny Craig attend 2 seminars over the summer.

1. DAV
2. Focus Hope Trailer on the Southfield Campus with Tuskegee Airman on board.

Mr. Gerry Houston moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:28pm. Mr. Wirkus seconded.