

## VETERANS' COUNCIL MINUTES

**Thursday, 07 July 2016 @ 1900, Town Hall**

### 1) Call to order:

- a. Vice Chair called the meeting to order at 1908 with the Pledge of Allegiance.

### 2) Roll Call:

- a. Present: VSO K. Jermyn, J. Buckley, S. McMillan, J. Rayburn, P. Koenen, F. Chase
- b. Not Present: M. DeMenna, Fr Ubiparipovic, J. Clifton
- c. Guest: T. Burbank

### 3) Officer Reports:

- a. Treasurer – Report accepted unanimously as written
- b. Secretary –
  - i. Two minor changes to May 5, 2016 minutes. Approved unanimously with two adjustments. Vice Chair to make corrections
  - ii. June 2, 2016 minutes approved unanimously as written
- c. VSO Report
  - i. Half-Staff Flag Report - four occurrences of half staffing
  - ii. 28 Chapter 115 clients received \$14,395.38 in benefits
  - iii. Consolidated American Legion flags purchases: Over \$100 earned with a total of 117 points
  - iv. VSO shared 4 pieces of correspondence received during previous month:
    1. Veterans Voice Radio / Mass Music Festival scheduled for July 24, 2016 at Battleship Cove
    2. Mr. Coleman Nee confirmed as 2016 Veterans Day speaker
    3. Received nomination for Memorial Day 2017 speaker – CAPT David Chase, USN(ret)
    4. Phonecon with FBMS revealed multiple issues surrounding new accession at CDR Anderson House

### 4) Old Business:

- a. N/A

### 5) New Business:

- a. Quarterly review of FMBS not conducted. Since the group briefed the Council in May, they are prepared to conduct their quarterly meeting at the August 4<sup>th</sup> meeting. Vice Chair to update annual calendar of events to reflect the change
- b. Election of FY17 Veterans' Council Officers. VSO proposed, and Vice Chair agreed, that interim elections should be held as new members will soon be added to the Council. Permanent elections will be held in

September when the Council is fully staffed with appointed members.  
Interim officers were elected as follows:

- i. Chair –J. Buckley
  - ii. Vice Chair – P. Koenen
  - iii. Treasurer – J. Rayburn
  - iv. Secretary – M. Demmena
- c. Veteran of the Year Criteria. F. Chase to take the lead in identifying criteria and developing guidelines for Hingham’s Veteran of the year. His findings to be briefed at the next Council meeting for review.
  - d. VSO briefed Council on the status of the Police Chief Campbell memorial
  - e. S. McMillan requested information on the status of the CPL Orlando scholarship. VSO reports donations in excess of \$10,000
  - f. T. Burbank to ensure members are current with required Ethics training

**6) Adjournment:**

- a. Meeting adjourned at 2030.

Respectfully submitted  
John F. Buckley, Interim Chair