

Minutes

Transition Military and Veterans Affairs Committee

Date: August 16, 2023

Location: City Hall, Exam Room 3 Mezzanine

117 West Duval Street

Jacksonville, FL 32202

Chair: VADM Rick Snyder

Attendees: Dee Quaranta, Joe Tavares, Harrison Conyers, Austin Belet, Peter Harding, Wendy Layton, Demetris Harrison, VADM Rick Snyder, Bob Adelhelm, Errol White, Mark McManus, George Carroll, Rich Possert, Travis Akers, Reece Wilson, Sandra Boyd, John Longfield-Smith.

1. Meeting Called to Order 4:02 PM VADM Rick Snyder
2. Minutes from 8/9/23 moved by Travis Akers and seconded by Rich Possert (Spelling error of Austin Belet's name corrected). Approved
3. VADM Snyder provided a brief overview and tasking for 8/22 briefing of Transition report.
4. Old business-
5. New Business:
 - a. VADM Snyder led a review of the track changes in the City of Jacksonville Military and Veteran Affairs Transition Committee Draft Final Report
 - i. Joe Tavares moved that the National POW/MIA Museum to the mid-term goals. Rich Possert moved, Bob Adelhelm. Approved
 - ii. The City of Jacksonville Military and Veteran Affairs Transition Committee Draft Final Report, as amended, moved Rich Possert, and seconded by Travis Akers. Approved
 - iii. Travis Akers asked when the Sunshine Law requirements will be lifted on the committee. Reece Wilson stated that he would research and follow up.
6. VADM Snyder requested that committee members review the updated report and bring back any specific revisions to the next meeting on August 16, 2023.
 - a. Joe Tavares asked about potential costs of utilizing an existing building vs. a new facility.
 - i. VADM Snyder stated that a cost analysis would have to be completed.
 - ii. Travis Akers stated that a cost analysis is not in the committee's purview and should be completed by the City of Jacksonville.
 - b. Travis Akers asked that VADM Snyder bring back information regarding any overlapping issues from the other committee reports.

7. Public Comment:

- a. George Carroll asked that a review of any City Ordinances be done to see how that impact Veterans and the military. R. Carroll asked the committee to discuss funding for the creation of an E-Directory of Veterans services and calendar of events. He mentioned that Joe Snowberger had previously suggested a Community Conversation of Veterans organizations and that it could possibly take place at a Vets4Vets meeting.
8. Move to adjourn at 4:26PM by Joe Tavares and seconded by Wendy Layton.