



**FORT ORD REUSE AUTHORITY**  
**VETERANS ISSUES ADVISORY COMMITTEE (VIAC) MEETING MINUTES**  
**3:00 P.M. June 22, 2017 | FORA Conference Room**  
920 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue, Suite A., Marina CA 93933

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Chair, Jerry Edelen called the meeting to order at 3:01 P.M.

**Committee Members:**

Mayor Jerry Edelen, City of Del Rey Oaks (**Chair**)

Edith Johnsen, Veterans Families (VF)

Sid Williams, Monterey County Military & Veteran Affairs Commission (MCM/VAC)

Mary Estrada, United Veterans Council (UVC)

Jack Stewart, Monterey County California Central Coast Veterans Cemetery Advisory Committee

James Bogan, Disabled American Veterans

Wes Morrill, Monterey County Office of Military & Veterans Affairs (MCOMVA)

**FORA Staff:**

Michael Houlemard

Robert Norris

Hermelinda Flores

**Others in Attendance:**

Jack Murphy, Veterans Transition Center (VTC)

J. Alan Fagan, Veterans Transition Center (VTC)

Candace Ingram, Central Coast Veterans Cemetery Foundation (CCVCF)

Cliff Guinn, Fort Ord Retiree Counsel

Ed Rabano

**2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** led by Edith Johnsen.

**3. ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS, ANNOUNCEMENTS AND CORRESPONDENCE**

None.

**4. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD**

There were no verbal comments from the public

**5. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES**

a. May 25, 2017 Regular Meeting Minutes

*MOTION: On motion by Committee member Edith Johnsen and second by Committee member Mary Estrada and carried by the following vote, the VIAC moved to approve the June 22, 2017 meeting minutes with the correction to Sid William's title to reflect as Monterey County Military & Veteran Affairs Commission (MCM/VAC). **MOTION: PASSED UNANIMOUSLY***

**6. BUSINESS ITEMS**

**a. California Central Coast Veterans Cemetery (CCCVC) Status Report**

*i. Cemetery Administrator's Status*

Principal Analyst, Robert Norris, reported on the vacant Cemetery Administrator position.

Committee member Jack Stewart mentioned the need for volunteers at the California

Central Veterans Cemetery and gave further information on how to apply.

*ii. Veterans Cemetery Land Use Status*

Mr. Norris reported on the Veterans Cemetery Land Use Status.

*iii. Fort Ord Committee Verbal Report: Oak Woodlands Mitigation & Endowment MOU*

Mr. Norris provided a status report on the revision of the current MOU for the endowment parcel.

*iv. Senator Monning Veterans Advisory Meeting*

Mr. Norris reported on the meetings held during the month of June.

**b. Fundraising Status**

*i. CCVCF Status Report*

Candace Ingram reported that 400 letters were sent out to past donors and provided fliers for the American Legion Riders. The first phase of public service announcements have been distributed for three weeks, were well received and funds have been raised. The second phase will begin in a few weeks.

**c. VA/DoD Veterans Clinic Status Report**

*i. Historic Flag Pole Variance Update*

No comments.

*ii. Operational Schedule*

VA/DoD Veterans Clinic on schedule for grand opening in August.

**d. Veterans Transition Center (VTC) Housing Construction**

Michael A. Houlemard, Jr., Executive Officer, reported on recent meetings with the Department of Defense in Washington, D.C.

**e. Historical Preservation Project (HPP)**

Cliff Guinn, Fort Ord Retiree Counsel, commented on the historical preservation project.

**7. ITEMS FROM MEMBERS**

There were no items reported from members.

**8. ADJOURNMENT** at 3:49 P.M.