



Townsend Veterans Committee Meetings

April 13, 2023 @ 11:00 am

VIA Conference Call & Town Hall

141 Main St, Townsend, DE 19734

11:00 am Veterans Committee Meeting

- I.** Call to Order: 11:04 am
- II.** Opening Ceremonies
 - a.** Roll Call: EC, SR, AT, and MR
 - b.** Pledge of Allegiance: All present recited the Pledge of Allegiance.
 - c.** Recognition of Visitors: None.
 - d.** Announcements: TM Tantillo noted there is a Resolution from 2009 which declared April 18th as Townsend Veterans Day. Postings will be made to the Town website to bring recognition to the date Town of Townsend Veterans Day.
- III.** Citizens Comments & Participation.
 - a.** No one present.
- IV.** Adoption of Agenda.
 - a.** Agenda adopted.
- V.** Discussion regarding VA Benefits Meeting and support.
 - a.** CW Rojas advised discussions have been held regarding additional food services for the event. CW Rojas confirmed there have been three confirmed registrations. TM Tantillo noted there may be Veterans who do not want to register. Additionally, there is a surplus in the budget that can be allocated to assist with this. TM Tantillo explained she will be able to purchase items as back up for any that may attend and are not registered.
 - b.** TM Tantillo confirmed Senator Hoffner has proposed the idea of a food truck for the event and will follow up with Senator Hoffner regarding this. TM Tantillo advised this approach may have changed since the number of registrations are low. Additionally, she will ensure Senator Hoffner is aware that this event is providing nutritional information.
 - c.** TM Tantillo advised there may be more speakers confirmed. Furthermore, an agenda will be forthcoming once the list is finalized. TM Tantillo confirmed she will work with CW Rojas and Valerie regarding the event schedule. The following are confirmed speakers for the event:
 1. Valerie
 2. Nutrition Team
 3. Debbie Harrington – District 9 DE House of Reps.
 4. CW Clarke to provide a welcome message.



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- d. CW Rojas advised a final posting will be made on Monday.
 - e. TM Tantillo advised she will confirm with Immanuel Church that they have the capacity for the event.
 - f. CW Clarke noted Earth Day will be close to the event date and suggested to hand out Milkweed Packet Seeds. TM Tantillo confirmed she will prepare this with the Butterfly Garden Instructions.
 - g. CW Rojas advised there is no specific list of local resources for Veterans.
- VI.** Discussion regarding Veterans Committee events
- a. TM Tantillo confirmed there is a possibility to connect with Townsend Veterans. Advised Friday night event at the Town Park. CW Rojas will follow up. All agreed to be available that day. TM Tantillo will reach out to the VFW to partner on the event. All agreed May 19th, CW Rojas to follow-up. TM Tantillo to reach out to vendors as discussed by the Committee for catering of the event.
 - b. Agreed to meet on April 20th at 8 am to finalize event details.
- VII.** Discussion regarding Veterans Committee budget
- a. No items to discuss.
- VIII.** Adjournment
- a. Meeting adjourned at 11:38 am.