



Scituate Veterans Council Meeting Monday, January 10 at 7pm

Scituate Senior Center, 333 First Parish Road Scituate MA

Members present: Kim Stewart, Bob McClean, Ed Kelley, Joe Kelley, Chris Lessard

Others: Drew Kitchen SPD Liaison, Don Knapp Scituate VSO

Call to order at 7:04pm by Joe Kelley

Agenda moved by B. McClean and 2nd by E. Kelley- motion carries unanimously.

Minutes of November 2021- moved to approve as written by B. McClean and 2nd by E. Kelley motion carries unanimously.

There was no public comment

Discussion Council meetings going forward. Motion to schedule Council meetings the first Wednesday of the month at 7pm Scituate Senior Center. B. McClean moved C. Lessard second motion carries unanimously.

Outreach-VAC letter to Scituate Veterans- tabled, Ed not in attendance

Cost to repair Legion American Flag- C. Lessard to get quotes.

Discussion December Veterans Breakfast- generally well attended (70ish) Marc noted the speaker wasn't very engaged and suggests we focus on helping people with their individual needs, address specific issues such as sleep apnea, learning loss etc. and assist them with filling out forms.

D. Knapp stated that is more complicated.

Mobile VA was discussed – C. Lessard with investigate this as a possibility.

Next Veterans Breakfast will be March 15 at 9am Scituate Senior Center – discussion about there being help for Veterans who are not signed up with the VA.

2022 Outreach Plan- Linda Hayes, Director of the Scituate Senior Center is asking for veterans to come and tell stories

Memorial Day- as of this date, it will go on as planned in years past (pre COVID) D. Knapp and Legion coordinate this event. Need help finding a speaker.

Veterans Coffee Hour- this was discussed as a possibly as in other Towns. D. Knapp has limited time.

New Business-

K. Stewart was contacted by Select Board member Maura Curran regarding a Scituate family who is looking to place a statue in honor/memory of their family member. Much discussion about this: who is the statue of? What is the intent? Who maintains? Erect on public Land? K. Stewart to follow up.

J. Kelley asks if widows of veterans are ever contacted to let them know of services. D. Knapp reports that in some cases, yes, the funeral home will assist with things like a footer etc. K. Stewart commented that this seems like an area that could use some attention.

Treasurer Report- E. Kelley reports no change.

Adjourned at 8:38pm

Respectfully submitted,

Kim Stewart