

Scituate Veterans Advisory Council

Meeting minutes

February 17th 2022

via Zoom

Members present: Kim Stewart, Joe Kelley, Marc Devereaux, Ed Kelley

Others: Drew Kitchen

Meeting was called to order by J. Kelley at 7:06 pm via Zoom

Discussion regarding the Dump Day on Saturday Feb _ J. Kelley and M. Devereaux were at the dump all day and spoke with an estimated 100 people, got 32 new contacts and felt it was definitely worth doing again. Folks were very engaged and offered money.

M. Devereaux suggests new sign with edits to reflect the intention.

M. Devereaux will send suggestions for new sign to the Council for approval. E. Kelley will look into printing options.

K. Stewart notes we will need soon if we plan another outreach day ahead of the breakfast.

Discussion about March 15th Veterans Breakfast was led by J Kelley. K Stewart will confirm Pour for bagels, donuts and muffins. J. Kelley confirmed the Senior Center will provide coffee.

Discussion about payment. D. Kitchen asked if town will give us a checkbook. E. Kelley will follow up.

Will plan for 70ish people.

M. Devereaux asked what time the VA van will arrive? J. Kelley will follow up with C. Lessard. M. Devereaux suggests a small prize or a raffle if folks sign up.

Speakers will be Jooyi Ryan (M. Devereaux is POC) VA Mobile Rep (C. Lessard is POC) and D. Knapp (J. Kelley is POC)

K. Stewart to invite Mr. Boudreau, Chief Thompson, Tony Vegnani (Select Board liaison to the VAC) and Jaimie Markey, Scituate resident and Mental Health Intensive Case Management (MHICM), VA Boston Healthcare System

Other places to announce? American Legion Post included the information in their newsletter.

Decided on March 6th for outreach at the landfill 8-3:30. M. Devereaux will work on getting the police vehicle. Need council members to each take an hour or so. Rain date of March 13th. Hope to have new signage.

Discussion about how the VSO would like the Council to support him during these events. D. Knapp was not in attendance.

Discussion about apparel for the Council members. M. Devereaux suggests Council members should have apparel. E. Kelley made a motion to use funds from treasury to purchase some type of shirt/pullover J. Kelley second. Motions carried unanimously.

M. Devereaux will work up a design and circulate to the members for approval. E Kelley will check with Goodwin Graphics on timing and availability once design is complete.

Collateral Duty assignments. M. Devereaux asks what are the action items we could each have between meetings. Also, how many council members are allowed per the charge. K. Stewart reports that it is limited to 7. There is no limit to how many folks could help beyond that. However, they would not have a vote.

All members are asked to think about these assignments and we will compile a list at the March meeting.

M. Devereaux suggests a Veterans event. Possible ideas:

1. Family fun run/walk
2. Golf Tournament
3. Day at the Range

All great ideas- need further consideration.

Adjournment 8:10

Respectfully submitted,

Kim Stewart, Secretary