

MINUTES  
PLACENTIA VETERANS ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING  
OCTOBER 2, 2023  
PLACENTIA COMMUNITY MEETING ROOM

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**MEETING CALLED TO ORDER AT 4:02 P.M.**

ROLL CALL

Present: Pat Alvarez, Bob Jones, Paul Henderson, Ronald Culler, Kenny Binnings

Absent: Meredith Castillo, Anthony Pirone, Tony Rangel, Fabian Fragiao, Neel Schmitt

Staff Present: Chief Brad Butts and Julie Dupuy

Guests: Craig Green, James Burandt, Roger and Norma StJohn, Michael Fenton and Mayor Ward Smith

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS – None.

COMMITTEE COMMENTS AND REPORTS – Vice Chair Alvarez said that there is still not a female student speaker yet for the Veterans Observance. Committee member Binnings ordered challenge coins for Veterans that participate in the Heritage parade. Binnings then reminded the committee about the breakfast at Mr. D's and then lining up by CVS on Bastanchury. Challenge coins will be given out to Veterans to thank them for their service. Committee member Jones discussed getting some type of vehicle to drive Veterans to the Veterans Day Observance ceremony this year from Veterans Village. Chief and Smith said that the City could arrange vans.

MINUTES – Will be approved in November's meeting.

2023 VETERANS DAY OBSERVANCE PROGRAM – Committee member Jones confirmed the key note speaker, Coates. Mr. Fenton confirmed the songs for the Ceremony as well as read the words to another song, "Thank You Soldiers". YLMS and Tuffree Middle School concert choirs will be performing again this year. Banner applications are going to be distributed to some local businesses to try and get more involvement. Mayor Smith ordered yard signs to thank Veterans. Craig Green, the M.C. will be reviewing the script for the ceremony. Chair Castillo will moderate the POW ceremony during the ceremony, with Jones, and Henderson helping as well.

STAFF COMMENTS – Chief Butts discussed the meeting that we had last week with Community Services, Public Works, and the City regarding the Veterans Day Ceremony details. Chief also let the committee know that we will have everything set up earlier this year. The killed in action plate is almost out of room and we discussed replacing the plate. We will discuss during the next meeting and then bring to City Council.

ADJOURNMENT - There being no further business, Chief Butts adjourned at 4:49 p.m. on Monday, October 2, 2023. The meeting adjourned on October 2, 2023, at 4:49 p.m. The next meeting is to be held on November 6, 2023 at 4:00 p.m.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'B. Perry', written over a horizontal line.

Captain Brian Perry, Staff Liaison  
Veterans Advisory Committee