

**VETERANS MEMORIAL COMMISSION**

**CEDAR RAPIDS, IOWA**

**May 11, 2015**

**Veteran's Council Conference Room, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor**

Present:	Constance Arens, Vice Chairwoman Jim Bruner Jerry Ziese Councilman Scott Olson	John Powers Mike Jager, Executive Director Teri Van Dorston, Assistant Director Nikee Woods, Admin. Asst.
Excused:	Gary Grant, Chairman Kristin Delfs	Hattie Holmes
Guests:	Mike Chismore Bob Feiereisen	Tony Hlas

The regular meeting of the Veterans Memorial Commission was called to order by Vice Chairwoman, Constance Arens at 5:31 PM.

**Approval of the Previous Meeting's Minutes:**

Commissioner Powers made a motion to approve the minutes of the March meeting; seconded by Commissioner Ziese. The motion carried with no objections.

**Financials:**

Commissioner Powers made a motion to approve the current bills; seconded by Commissioner Bruner. The motion carried with no objections.

**Museum Report/Assistant Director:**

The Assistant Director shares that the Iowa Veterans Welcome Center ran a successful 'Welcome Home' event for the 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the end of the Vietnam War on April 30, 2015. Approximately 350-400 attendees were present; with many viewing both gallery exhibits. The entire VMB staff received countless compliments of the exhibits with public interest of pending donations.

**Communication and Update from the MVC:**

Commissioner Bruner states that the speaker and band are confirmed for the Memorial Day Program at the All Veterans Memorial Park. The Coliseum of the VMB will be the rain-out location of the event. All bricks are currently being sealed and will be installed prior to Memorial Day.

**Public Comment:**

Mike Chismore would like to request support from any Veteran group that is willing and able to assist in increasing the American Legion Baseball League of three teams to six teams for 2016.

Bob Feiereisen asked the Commission if his topic of a Junior Shooting Range was on the agenda for May's VMC meeting. Executive Director Jager reminded Mr. Feiereisen of the requested documentation from December 2014 VMC meeting. Once said documentation is presented, the VMC will then discuss the Junior Shooting Range prior to any approval.

Commissioner Bruner made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 5:45 PM; seconded by Commissioner Powers. The motion carried with no objections.

Respectfully submitted,

Nikee Woods, Admin. Assistant

CHAIRMAN \_\_\_\_\_ Date

VICE CHAIRMAN \_\_\_\_\_ Date