

VETERANS MEMORIAL COMMISSION

CEDAR RAPIDS, IOWA

September 8, 2014

The regular meeting of the Veterans Memorial Commission was called to order by Chairman Kristin Delfs at 5:32 PM.

Present:	Kristin Delfs, Chairman John Powers Jerry Ziese Teri Van Dorston, Asst. Director	Jim Bruner Hattie Holmes Mayor Corbett Mike Jager, Director
Excused:	Connie Arens	Gary Grant
Guest:	Scott Olson	Jim Flitz

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

There was some discussion on the bills to include: Guitar Center, Alliant Energy, Schumacher Elevator and the flood expenses. Commissioner Ziese made a motion to approve the current bills; seconded by Commissioner Powers. The motion carried with no objections.

The Chairman introduced the newest Commission member, Hattie Holmes.

The Assistant Director gave a museum progress report; the Vietnam exhibit is going very well, the Vietnam veterans in the Iowa Veterans Welcome Center (IVWC) are helping to shape this exhibit and just received a loan of 36 items from a local collector. A private opening, of the Vietnam exhibit, for the veterans will be on November 6th. She has also been working with a War on Terror veteran artist, Julius Cavira, he approached the IVWC about doing a mural for the wall, which will be donated to the Veterans Memorial Commission. His art will also be displayed in the basement hallway by the fitness center from Patriot's Day until the opening of the Vietnam exhibit. The IVWC is hosting a Patriot's Day celebration this Sunday at 11 AM.

Commissioner Ziese suggested going to Smulekoff's to see if there is anything that may be of use to us; he will make an appointment with Ann Lipsky and let Teri know when.

Commissioner Bruner reported he is in the process of putting things together for the Veterans Day Program on November 11 at 10 AM.

Commissioner Powers gave a report on the Stand Down and thanked everyone for their help.

At this time, City Attorney Jim Flitz, joined the Commission meeting.

At 5:57 PM, Commissioner Ziese moved to enter into a closed session to discuss legal strategy issues related to the U. S. Department of Justice proposed settlement to the City of Cedar Rapids regarding the matter of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 Compliance Review at the Veterans Memorial Stadium; seconded by Commissioner Bruner. The Commission was polled by the Chairman. Ayes, Commissioners Bruner, Delfs, Holmes, Powers and Ziese. The motion carried with no objections.

The Commission returned to an open session at 6:23 PM. Commissioner Bruner made a motion to adjourn at 6:24 PM; seconded by Commissioner Powers. The motion carried with no objections.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy Greene

CHAIRMAN _____
Date

VICE CHAIRMAN _____
Date