

CITY OF OAK FOREST

Veterans Commission

Agenda

Thursday, January 18, 2024 – 7:45 P.M.

Blue Room – Conference Room



15440 S. Central Avenue
Oak Forest, IL 60452
(708) 687-4050

CHAIRMAN:	Joe Pilch	
LIAISON:	Alderman Paul Selman	
MEMBERS:	Christopher Adams	John Perales
	Ralph Chichester	Jim Pioth
	Dennis Mitzner	Don Snedden
	Dave Moore	Jim Watson
	Tom O’Neill	Richard Wojotowicz
	Mayor Hank Kuspa	

Honorary Member:

Guest:

1. Pledge of allegiance
2. Roll Call
3. Approval of Minutes
 - Approval of the November minutes by _____ 2nd by _____
 - All members present approved.
4. Liaison to the City Report Paul Selman:
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5. Old business:
 - Joe checking with PW about burning flags at PW area. No Date yet.
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6. New business
 - Fire buddies are to host a fundraising event at the soccer fields with band, food, and drink. We need to combine our effort for a successful Independence Day Celebration
7. Once around the Table
 - Each member shares any information for Veterans.

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Adjournment motion by _____ 2nd by _____

Our next meeting is Thursday February 15, 2023, at 19:30 in [the Blue Room](#).

Dates and times could change with approval of committee.

Meeting dates for 2024 meetings start at 19:30.

January 18	February 15	March 21	April 18	May 16	June 20
July 18	August 15	September 19	October 17	November 21	

Dec 19 No meeting

Planning for Independence Day 2024 (July 4th) picnic and concert at Park District Pavilion behind main Park District building.

- We need to incorporate Operation Gratitude or Manteno Veterans Home into Independence Day event July 4th. Taking donation of items or money
- We will schedule military vehicles around the area for display.
- Food truck vendors.
 - Dennis Contacted Jack Frost to attend.
 - Paul contacted Nick V's (Doug's Dogs), Taco truck, Kenootz Pizza and one more.
 - Food vendors need to submit their State of Illinois sanitation certificate.
 - Port-a-potties are needed at soccer field parking area, park pavilion, 2 handicapped accessible and 6 others plus 3 handwash station.
 - Parking is available in front of the Park District, soccer practice fields, and gravel area south of soccer field, plus on side streets.
 - Need to ask permission to park in some business areas.
 - Musical groups need to submit a W-9 for record keeping of money spent.
 - Hang Veterans Banners and American Flag on back of pavilion.
 - MC of the event is Dennis Mitzner.
 - Handout challenge coins, pens, luggage tags etc.