



Sullivan County

Veterans Committee

Meeting Minutes - Final

Chair Luis Alvarez
Vice Chair Nicholas Salomone Jr.
Committee Member Amanda Ward
Committee Member Catherine Scott
Committee Member Matt McPhillips

Thursday, July 9, 2026

12:00 PM

Government Center

1. Call To Order and Pledge of Allegiance

Chair Alvarez called the Veterans Committee meeting to order at 12:30pm.

2. Roll Call

Present: Luis Alvarez, Catherine Scott and Matt McPhillips
Absent: Amanda Ward
Arrived Late: Nicholas Salomone Jr.

3. Opening Remarks - Luis Alvarez, Chairman

Nadia Rajsz, Joshua Potosek, Michelle Bowers, Dan Hust Robert Freehill, Sharon Jankiewicz

Ken Walter, Star Hesse, Lise Kennedy,, Lillian Stettner, Chris Lesser, Diana, Matt from the Democrat, Patrick from River Reporter and Kim from WJFF

Veterans Present:

Stephen Walsh, Jim Jegar, Bill Kapito, Alphonso Russell, Howie Goldsmith, Doug Sandberg, Randolph Peers

4. Reports:

5. Commander's Reports - Veterans Service Organizations

Commander Randy Peers informed the Legislature of recent Veteran Burials and the 2026 Scholarship winners.

Commander Stephen Walsh gave an update.

Commander Howie Goldsmith gave an update.

6. Veterans Service Agency - Director's Report

[ID-8483](#)

Director Stephen Walsh read his report in its entirety.

8. Public Comment

1. William Kapito made a public comment.
2. Doug Sandberg made a public comment.

9. Resolutions:

TO AMEND THE RULES FOR OPERATION OF THE SULLIVAN
COUNTY VETERAN'S CEMETERY ADOPTED BY RESOLUTION NO.
475-01.

[ID-8497](#)

A motion was made by District 5 Legislator Catherine Scott, seconded by Chairman Luis Alvarez, that this Resolution be carried at Committee to the County Legislature meeting on 7/21/2026. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Chairman Alvarez, Vice Chairman Salomone, District 5 Legislator Scott
and District 1 Legislator McPhillips

Absent: District 8 Legislator Ward

10. Adjourn

There being no further business, Matt Phillips moved to adjourn, seconded by Nicholas Salomone. The Veteran's Committee was adjourned at 1:18pm.