



Sullivan County Veterans Committee Meeting Agenda - Final

Chairman Luis Alvarez
Vice Chairman George Conklin
Committee Member Nicholas Salomone Jr.
Committee Member Nadia Rajsz
Committee Member Ira Steingart

Thursday, February 2, 2023

11:00 AM

Government Center

Call To Order and Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

Opening Remarks - Luis Alvarez, Chairman

Commanders' Reports - Veterans Service Organizations

Director's Report

Referred local veterans & families in crisis to the Community Assistance Center.

Worked with local organizations, Vet 2 Vet (ATI), Elks, Sullivan County Veterans Coalition to distribute holiday meals.

Assisted BATS House in Liberty with the TOYS FOR TOTS program

Organized clothing and toy distributions throughout the County with the YIT Foundation.

Worked with the Monticello Rotary & Kiwanis Clubs to distribute blankets, cards, and personal care items to veterans in local care facilities.

Both new VSO's have completed their accreditation training and will be licensed by the Office of General Council by the end of February. They have also completed Training, Responsibility, Involvement and Preparation of Claims (TRIP) training, and will be issued PIV security clearance, increasing office efficiency and productivity.

Worked with local law enforcement and medical facilities to streamline inpatient intake process for substance abuse and suicide prevention in the veterans' community.

PACT Act claims are finally being adjudicated by VA, however, although we submitted many of these claims two (2) years ago or longer, the VA will only pay retroactive pay to the date that the PACT Act became law (8/10/2022).

Public Comment

Resolutions: None

Adjourn