



**VETERANS ADVISORY BOARD
THURSDAY, JANUARY 16, 2025, 2024 – 5:30 PM
ARTHUR CAMPBELL ROOM
FIRST FLOOR, TOWN HALL
DRAFT AGENDA**

- A. Call to Order – Chair Kiser**
- B. Roll Call – Chair Kiser**
- C. Pledge of Allegiance – Lynn Bennett**
- D. Approval of draft agenda – Chair Kiser**
- E. Organizational meeting pursuant to Article V of Bylaws**
 - Election of Chair
 - Election of Vice-Chair
- F. Approval of minutes – Chair**
 - December 19, 2024
- G. PUBLIC COMMENTS – Please place your name on the sign-up sheet provided, and comments are limited to three (3) minutes per person.**
 - Town of Abingdon residents
 - Other public comments (e.g. organizations)
- H. NEW BUSINESS**
- I. OLD BUSINESS**
 - 1. Update regarding benches at Veterans Memorial Park
- J. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS AND COMMUNICATIONS FROM CHAIR**
- K. MEMBER REPORTS**
- L. NEXT MEETING – February 20, 2025 at 5:30 pm**
- L. ADJOURNMENT**

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THURSDAY, DECEMBER 19, 2024 – 5:30 pm
ARTHUR CAMPBELL ROOM – MUNICIPAL BUILDING

The regular meeting of the Veterans Advisory Board was held on Thursday, December 19, 2024 at 5:30 pm in the Arthur Campbell Room of the Municipal Building.

A. Call to Order – *Chair Kiser*

B. Roll Call

Members present:

Albert Lawson
Kristen Henley
Lynn Bennett
Dickie Kiser
Tim Estes
Vickie Bennett
Mayor Amanda Pillion

Members absent:

Clint Harris
Francine Ivery
John Lentz
Mike Cochran

Guest:

Jerry Cullop

C. Pledge of Allegiance

D. Approval of draft agenda

Upon motion by Lynn Bennett, seconded by Josh Ringstaff, approved the agenda as presented.

Amanda Pillion	Aye
Lynn Bennett	Aye
Kyle Craig	Aye
Tim Estes	Aye
Richard “Dickie” Kiser	Aye
Albert T. Lawson, Jr.	Aye
Kristen Henley	Aye
John Lentz	Absent
Vickie Bennett	Aye
Francine Ivery	Absent
Mike Cochran	Absent
Clint Harris	Absent
Josh Ringstaff	Aye

E. Approval of minutes

Upon motion by Kristen Henley, seconded by A. J. Lawson, approved the November 21, 2024 minutes as presented.

Amanda Pillion	Aye
Lynn Bennett	Aye
Kyle Craig	Aye
Tim Estes	Aye
Richard “Dickie” Kiser	Aye
Albert T. Lawson, Jr.	Aye
Kristen Henley	Aye
John Lentz	Absent
Vickie Bennett	Aye
Francine Ivery	Absent
Mike Cochran	Absent
Clint Harris	Absent
Josh Ringstaff	Aye

F. Public Comments –

Jerry Cullop introduced himself and attended the meeting to become familiar with the Veterans Advisory Board.

G. New Business –

Members agreed to reschedule the regularly scheduled June 19, 2025th meeting to June 26, 2025, due to the Town offices being closed.

Discussion took place regarding a certificate of appreciation to Glenrochie Country Club. Mayor Pillion mentioned that she would highlight this during the “Monday with the Mayor” segment.

H. Old Business –

Members noted it was a positive experience to host the SAR-DAR during the Christmas Parade. There was discussion about identifying more Veteran Service Organizations (VSOs) and appreciation was expressed for the partnership with the U.S. Air Force. Lynn Bennett complimented the Veterans Advisory Board for their efforts. The need for more donations for the Festival of Trees was discussed. Josh Ringstaff will follow up on the installation of benches in the Veterans Memorial Park.

- I. Miscellaneous Business and Communications from Chair**
- J. Members Reports**
- K. Schedule next meeting – January 16, 2025 at 5:30 pm**

Chair

Kim Kingsley, Clerk

Approved: _____