

**Veterans Commission
Meeting Minutes
Monday, November 8th, 2021**

Present: Alfred Banfield, Linda Meyer, Hank Scherf, George Smith; Brandon Jones, Jacob Pletcher, Leah Grant, Donna Vaillancourt, Mike Rau, Ron Mussman, Kyle Corcoran

Absent: Cody Stephenson

Staff: Supervisor Warren Slocum (County BOS); Marci Dragun (Senior Legislative Aide), John Nibbelin (Chief Deputy County Counsel); Selina Toy Lee (HSA), Ed Kiryczun (CVSO/HSA), Tyreece Jacks (Community Worker I); Matt Wilson (CVSO/HSA)

Public Comments By: No Public Comments

Topic	Discussion	Actions/Next Steps
Meeting called to order & Pledge of Allegiance Recited	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Meeting called to order at 6:30 pm- Pledge of Allegiance and roll call taken - 11 present	
Approval of minutes & adoption of agenda	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Minutes from Sept 2021 commission meeting were adopted- Agenda for tonight’s commission meeting was adopted- Minutes approved 11 Y / 0 N- Agenda approved 11 Y / 0 N	No Additional actions or steps
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<p>Veterans Commission Business (Continued)</p>	<p>Ed Kiryzcun, CVSO Operations Update (Continued)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Operational Updates <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Office is now open for walk-in Tuesday and Thursday's ❖ Appointments, In-Person, Phone, Video Conference available 5 days a Week 	<p>No additional actions or steps</p>																												
<p>Veterans Commission Business (Continued)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Swearing in of new members (Supervisor Slocum) ➤ Introduction: AB 361 Veterans Commission Resolution – NOTE – resolution will need to be approved every meeting 	<p>No Action</p> <p>Roll Call 11 Y / 0 N</p>																												

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Veterans Commission Business (Continued)	<p>Donna Vaillancourt, Budget work Group Update</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Budget Work Group <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Nothing new to report 	<p>No additional actions or steps</p>
Adjournment	<p>Meeting adjourned at 8:00 Adjourn approved 11 Y / 0 N</p>	<p>No additional actions or steps</p>