

**OKLAHOMA VETERANS COMMISSION
MEETING NOTICE AND AGENDA
NOVEMBER 1, 2024, 8:30 A.M.
Vezey Veterans Complex
2132 NE 36th Street
OKLAHOMA CITY, OK 73111**

NOTICE OF REGULAR MEETING:

The Oklahoma Veterans Commission will hold a Regular Meeting on Friday, November 1, 2024, at 8:30 a.m., at the Vezey Veterans Complex, 2132 NE 36th Street, Oklahoma City, OK 73111. Notice of this meeting was filed with the Secretary of State on October 17, 2023, and an Amended Notice was filed with the Secretary of State on September 9, 2024. The Agenda of this meeting was also properly posted at least twenty-four (24) hours prior to this meeting pursuant to the provisions of Title 25 O.S. § 311.

The below listed Agenda items may be discussed in any order the Oklahoma Veterans Commission deems appropriate.

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AGENDA:

CHAIRMAN BRETT MARTIN:

- I. CALL TO ORDER**
- II. DETERMINATION OF QUORUM**
 - A. ROLL CALL**
 - B. DECLARATION OF QUORUM**
- III. VERIFICATION OF PROPER NOTICE OF MEETING AND POSTING OF THE AGENDA**
- IV. INVOCATION**
- V. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
- VI. INTRODUCTION OF ODVA STAFF AND WELCOME TO VISITORS AND GUESTS.**
- VII. BUSINESS**
 - A. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE SEPTEMBER 6, 2024, OKLAHOMA VETERANS COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING.**

B. REPORTS WITH DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON THE FOLLOWING:

1. CHAIRMAN BRETT MARTIN:

- i. Oklahoma Veteran Suicide Task Force;
- ii. Governors Symposium to Prevent Veteran Suicide.

C. GENERAL HOUSEKEEPING, DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON THE FOLLOWING:

1. NEW FISCAL YEAR PRIORITIES.

D. REPORTS WITH DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON THE FOLLOWING:

1. OKLAHOMA SECRETARY OF MILITARY AND VETERANS AFFAIRS, JOHNATHAN NASH, REPORT AND DISCUSSION REGARDING:

- i. Report Regarding Cabinet Meetings.

2. ODVA EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, ADMIRAL JAY BYNUM, REPORT AND DISCUSSION REGARDING:

- i. Travel Report.

3. SHAWN KIRKLAND, DEPUTY DIRECTOR, AND LISA ACEVEDO, WOMEN VETERANS PROGRAMS ADMINISTRATOR AND LEGISLATIVE LIAISON, REPORTS, DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON THE FOLLOWING:

- i. ODVA Standing Legislative Committee Report Including Proposed ODVA Legislative Slate for the 60th Oklahoma Legislative Session.
- ii. Discussion and Possible Action Approving the ODVA Legislative Slate for the 60th Oklahoma Legislative Session.

4. LISA A. WHITE, CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER, REPORTS, DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON THE FOLLOWING:

- i. FY 25 Q1 Budget to Actual Receipts;
- ii. FY25 Q1 Budget to Actual Expend;
- iii. FY25 Q1 Receipts vs Expend.

5. NISHA YOUNG, CONSTRUCTION ADMINISTRATOR, REPORTS, DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON THE FOLLOWING:

- i. Ardmore Veterans Home Bed Replacement Project Update;
- ii. Union Soldiers Cemetery Refurbishment Update;
- iii. Sallisaw Veterans Home Construction Update.
- iv. Veterans Homes Building Maintenance Update and Requests.

a. Request the Oklahoma Veterans Commission Ratify the Emergency Declarations previously made pursuant to and in accordance with Title 61 O.S. § 130 (B) and (F), regarding the following listed Emergency Declarations. In compliance with Title 61 Okl.St. Ann. § 130 (G), the Office of Management and Enterprise Services was notified by letter of the factual details which described the Emergency situations which existed at each of the State Veterans Homes listed below:

FY 2023

- Ardmore
Hot water tank replacement - \$47,728.00
- Claremore
Grease trap - \$13,595.00
- Clinton
Boiler replacement - \$96,561.36
- Norman
Sewer line repair/ replacement - \$6,400.00
- Talihina
Walk-in Freezer/Food Storage Repair - \$9,882.59

FY 2024

- Ardmore
Rooftop HVAC replacement - \$82,700.00
- Clinton
Sewer line repair - \$11,400.00
Boiler replacement - \$97,536.06
- Lawton
Sewer line repair/replacement - \$40,260.90
Variable frequency drives (VFD) replacement - \$35,000.00
Pump house geo thermal valve leaks repair - \$13,266.00
- Norman
Bulk oxygen tank leak repair - \$70,000.00
- Sulphur
Boiler replacement - \$169,875.00
Main electrical line repair - \$40,000.00

HVAC repair - \$8,203.00

Steam regulator controller repair - \$8,923.27

- v. Request the Oklahoma Veterans Commission delegate to ODVA Executive Director Jay Bynum, the authority to declare an emergency, in appropriate circumstances, whereby the provisions of the Public Competitive Bidding Act of 1974, referencing notice and bids, shall not apply to contract amounts of less than One Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$150,000.00), pursuant to and in accordance with Title 61 O.S. § 130. B. and F.

6. ROB ARRINGTON, STATE HOMES DIRECTOR, REPORTS, DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON THE FOLLOWING:

- i. ODVA State Veterans Homes License Renewal pursuant to Title 72 O.S. §223.
 - 1. Ardmore State Veterans Home
 - 2. Claremore State Veterans Home
 - 3. Clinton State Veterans Home
 - 4. Lawton State Veterans Home
 - 5. Norman State Veterans Home
 - 6. Sulphur State Veterans Home
- ii. Establish the date of February 10, 2025, for ODVA Veterans Home at Sallisaw to Assume Operations of the State Veterans Home at Talihina.

7. DARON HOGGATT, BUSINESS MANAGEMENT ADMINISTRATOR, REPORTS, DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON THE FOLLOWING:

- i. Annual Business Conference Update;
- ii. ODVA Partnership with OU Health Sciences Oklahoma Local Ag Collaborative (OLAC), OSU Extension, and the US Department of Agriculture (USDA) Establishing an Education Program Dedicated to Supporting Oklahoma Veteran Farmers and Ranchers.

8. JOHN M. SETTLE, GENERAL COUNSEL, REPORT AND DISCUSSION REGARDING:

- i. The Oklahoma Open Meetings Act and the Oklahoma Open Records Act. Thomas Schneider, Deputy General Counsel of the Oklahoma Attorney General's Office, will present a program regarding the provisions of the Oklahoma Open Meetings Act and the Oklahoma Open Records Act.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

Pursuant to 25 O.S. § 311, “New Business” shall mean any matter not known about or which could not have been reasonably foreseen prior to the time of posting this Notice (24 hours prior to the meeting).

IX. OKLAHOMA VETERANS COMMISSION DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING THE NEXT REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING.

NEXT REGULAR MEETING:

December 6, 2024, 10:00AM

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X. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING ADJOURNMENT.