

Legislative Standing Commission

Friday, October 8, 2021

3 pm

Fall Meetings

Cherry Valley Lodge

1. Call to Order
2. Salute the Flag
3. Pledge
4. Prayer
5. Roll Call (quorum present w/ 9 members)

District	Name	Substitute	Attendance
1	Jason Rue		X
2	Tim Shaw		X
3	Ken LaVoy		X
4	Gary Tarvin		X
5	Dennis Teynor		Absent
6	Jermaine Ferguson		X
7	Emmett Gregory		Absent
8	Fred James		Absent
9	Vacant		
10	Holly Lewis		X
11	Floyd Burk		X
12	John McElhaney		X
13	David Donaldson	Richard Wright	X
14	Vacant		

6. Introduction of Guests
 - a. Jerry Perry (4), Al Buxton (4) Ron Distal (1) Ron Chapman, Suzette Heller (12)
7. Review of Previous Committee Minutes
 - a. Jermain Ferguson (6) made the Motion to accept the minutes. Holly Lewis (10) second the motion.

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8. Commander Wilson, 1st Vice Brad Teis, Adjutant Eric Hall made an introduction.
9. Chairman Opening Remarks
 - a. Chairman LaVoy asked for updated emails from commission members so we can all be in contact when not in a meeting.
10. District Reports
11. Old Business
 - a. American Legion License Plate
 - i. SAL license plate was successful with Jeff Vrabel.
 - ii. Jermaine Ferguson has spoken with state legislatures about a sponsor for the bill
 1. Thinks the Commission should pursue this license plate and a BBS plate.

2. Proposed writing a resolution on license plates to pursue a license plate. Possibly forward the resolution to the finance committee

12. New Business

a. Legislative update

- i. HB 407 Safe Shelter Initiative Program to fight homelessness was discussed and believed to be supported by the Commission.
 1. 730 homeless veterans according to a google search result.
 2. Question from Holly Lewis: How do we judge someone to be homeless?
 3. What is the definition of a veteran?
 - a. Assumed the House committee will define this. Legion wishes to weigh in on this question.
 4. Jerry Perry (4) gave information on Cincinnati homeless veteran vetting process. 909 vine st program. The Joseph house.
 5. Ron Distal (1) stated that coming out of the military you can register with the county recorder to verify you are a veteran. This could be a recommendation for this legislation to track veteran homelessness.
 6. Jermaine Ferguson (6) recommended that the commission do not directly support the bill because of Rep. Gross' conduct but the Legion could weigh in and help with the language of this bill.
- ii. License plate resolution will be started by Chairman LeVoy and we will get it to finance.
- iii. HB 213: Al Buxton (4) asked about bills background and if we support it.
- iv. Jermaine Ferguson (6) recommended drafting a resolution to have a Buddy Check Day piece of legislation. A state bill to call for buddy checks to be conducted.
 1. Holly Lewis recommended Senator Hoagland sponsor the bill.

13. Resolutions

- a. Chair Ken LaVoy is to draft a license plate resolution for the Commission.

14. Good of the Legion

15. Closing prayer by Chaplain Buxton

16. Adjourn 4:06 pm