

**Veterans Events Committee  
Police Department  
450 E. 11 Mile, Royal Oak, MI 48067**

**Tuesday, October 5, 2021  
7:00 P.M.**

**Minutes**

Call to Order at 7:00 pm

Roll Call

Attendance: Dave London, Judy Davids, Ilene Harmon-McGough, Mike Sherman, John Williams, John Wendland, Cynthia Garrett, Noah London, Sgt. Steve Teichow, David Wandoff

Absent: None

Public Comment - None

Motion to Accept the Agenda made by Cynthia Garrett, second by John Wendland.  
Motion passed.

Motion to accept September 14, 2021 Minutes made by Cynthia Garret, second by Ilene Harmon-McGough. Motion passed.

Motion to amend Minutes from August 3, 2021 to change See Attached Report to no report made by Judy Davids, second by Cynthia Garrett.

1. Reports

- a. Ex Officio – no report – discussion of actual events for permits
- b. Committee Chairperson – See Attached Report

2. Unfinished Business

- a. Ruck 22 March
- b. Veterans Day

3. New Business

- a. Thank you's for sponsors
- b. Reaching kids for events

Next meeting will be on October 12<sup>th</sup> - 7 pm Veterans Events Committee

4. Adjournment

Motion to Adjourn made by Cynthia Garrett, second by John Wendland.

Motion passed.

Adjourned at 8:35 pm

# Veterans Events Committee Chairman's Report

*David C. London • October 5, 2021*

- Henry Ford Health System has agreed to donate \$2,200 to the Ruck 22 event
  - Could pay for 100 veterans or student attendees
- Henry Ford Health System has agreed to donate \$4,000 to the Healing Fields project for Memorial Day
  - Citizens buying into the project now can receive dog tags or giveaway and VEC can keep flags for future Healing Fields
- Royal Oak Police Department is discussing the purchase of marble benches to flank the Royal Oak War Memorial to honor those who served in Operation Iraqi Freedom (Iraq War) and Operation Enduring Freedom (Afghanistan War)
  - The addition of these benches would mirror our push to highlight veterans of recent wars in our events
- 338th Military Band declined to play this year's Veterans Day ceremony
  - Dave Jenson and the Royal Oak High School Band have agreed to participate with a limited wind group
- Ruck 22 graphics have been created and distributed for posting on social media
  - The "social card" graphic and accompanying text is ready for posting and you can change the written text to speak directly to your followers if needed
  - Future graphics will be distributed in weeks to come so we're not just posting the same ones over and over