

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE CITY OF HUNTSVILLE, TEXAS VETERANS AFFAIRS ADVISORY BOARD HELD IN THE LARGE CONFERENCE ROOM AT CITY HALL, 1212 AVENUE M, HUNTSVILLE, TEXAS ON THE 19th DAY OF JULY 2018, AT 5:30 P.M.

Members present: Wayne Keen, Fernando Chavez, Shane Loosier, Bill Butler, Mike Christian, Robert Tucker, John McManners, Liesa Hackett, Leigh-Anne Stewart
Members absent: Tom Fordyce, Johnny Holland, Ashley Taylor, Leta Reiner, Mark Robinson, David McBroom
Guests present: Terry Batson, Lt. Col. Joe Contreras

1. CALL TO ORDER – Chair Wayne Keen called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

2. DISCUSSION/ACTION

The Board met to discuss, hear presentations and/or reports and potentially take action on agenda items.

a. Approve minutes of last meeting - The June 2018 minutes were approved without objection.

b. Hear reports from committee members

Leigh-Anne Stewart reported attending the National American Legion convention in San Antonio. Stewart announced a spaghetti dinner will be held for Patriot's Day, September 11. Fernando Chavez displayed stoles that will be given to 18 graduating SHSU students, who are veterans.

Liesa Hackett said she and Ashley Taylor were working to bring a women's veterans event to Huntsville. Chairman Wayne Keen told board members about services and assistance made available through activity in the board, including the Texas Veterans app for smartphones.

c. Future items, projects, and proposals. – The next meeting will be at 5:30 p.m. August 16th.

d. Items of Community Interest –

Guest Lt. Colonel Joe Contreras, who is Professor of Military Science with SHSU, introduced himself to the committee. Guest Terry Batson introduced himself as the newly-elected commander of the Huntsville American Legion post.

3. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was unanimously adjourned at 5:51 p.m.

Brenda Poe, Deputy City Secretary