



Town Clerk – Wakefield, MA

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TOWN OF WAKEFIELD

VETERANS ADVISORY BOARD

NOTICE OF MEETING

December 19, 2023 | 6:30 p.m.

Via Zoom: <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/84347185636?pwd=JohZJq4AbcEv7wfgWzVw7nrIa3UEA4.1>

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Call to Order

- Pledge of Allegiance
- Attendance
- Review/Approval of November 2023 Minutes – vote required
- Members of the public may speak
- VSO December 2023 Report (including next Veterans Coffee)
- Items for public discussion:
 - Wreaths Across America – Forest Glade Cemetery Success
 - “Hero Act” - An Act Honoring, Empowering, and Recognizing Our Servicemembers and Veterans (The HERO Act) proposes the following 17 spending and policy initiatives, tax credits, and statute changes organized into three buckets:
 - Benefit Expansion
 - Commitment to Inclusivity and Greater Representation
 - Modernization of Veterans Services
- Upcoming events:
 - Four Chaplains Day Saturday, February 3, 2024, at 9:00am at the Four Chaplains Monument at Temple Emanuel
 - Monday, May 27, 2024, Memorial Day, at 1:00pm, at the War Memorial on the lower common.
 - Flag Day, Friday, June 14, 2024, at 6:00pm at the War Memorial on the lower common
- Member's report – “around the horn”
 - Secretary's report
 - Vice-chair's report
 - Chair's Report
- Town Council Liaison's – comments
- Next Meeting: Tuesday, January 16, 2024, at 6:30pm via Zoom



- Matters Not Anticipated for Agenda (Any Voting matters not anticipated by VAB)
 - Adjournment (motion to adjourn)