

VETERANS ADVISORY BOARD

NOTICE OF MEETING April 23, 2024 | 6:30 p.m.

Via Zoom: https://us06web.zoom.us/j/82367632079?pwd=HWpDGzaSxQbcoYp80aYkFp03ZV8ukJ.1

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Pledge of Allegiance

Attendance

Review/Approval of March 2024 Minutes - vote required

Members of the public may speak

VSO April 2024 Report - Veterans coffee, Saturday, April 20, 2024

- Memorial Day Flag Planting
 - Flag Planting Lakeside Cemetery date/time
 - Flag Planting Forest Glade Cemetery date/time

Items for discussion:

- One or Two openings on the board?
- Advisory Board Fairwells
- Raising of the Americal Division Colors at the Americal Civic Center on Friday, 4/12/2024 Thank you.
- Soldiers and Sailors Monument Re-Dedication (Fall 2024 or Spring 2025)—Vote required.
- Advisory Board Officer Nominations
 - Secretary
 - o Vice-Chair
 - o Chair

Member's report – "around the horn"

- Communications and social media
- Secretary's report
- Vice-chair's report
- Chair's Report:
 - Monday, May 27, 2024, Memorial Day, at 1:00pm, at the War Memorial on the Lower Common.
 - Service Flags (town hall –WMHS-lower common-WMHS)
 - Chaplains



- Guest Speaker Ms. Kristen Bauer, "Vietnam Today"
- State and Federal Representatives
- WMHS Music Director Chorus/Soloist National Anthem and
- o Buglers "TAPS"
- WCAT Support
- O Wakefield Fire Department Bell tribute for the fallen
- Invited Readers of the Fallen (8 Required)
- Boy Scout Troop 701 Color Guard
- Wakefield Girl Scouts Wreath
- 101st Field Artillery Ceremonial Battery (7 troops team // 3 Xs 105 Howitzers) Formal 21 Gun Salute on the common

Upcoming events:

- Town Elections Tuesday, April 23, 2024
- Town Meeting Monday, April 29, 2024, at 7:00 pm
- o Friday, June 14, 2024, Flag Day, at 6:00pm at the War Memorial on the Upper Common
- June 21, 2024, Change of Command USS Constitution
- o Purple Heart Day Wednesday, Aug 7, 2024
- Town Day Saturday, 9/21/2024, (rain date 9/22/2024)
- O Veterans Day Monday, November 11, 2024, at 11:00am Memorial Auditorium, Galvin Middle School
- Wreathes Across America Mobile Education Nov 2024
- Wreathes Across America Day 2024 Theme: "Live with Purpose" Saturday, December 14, 2024

Town Council Liaison's - comments

Next Meeting: Tuesday, May 21, 2024, at 6:30pm via Zoom

Matters Not Anticipated for Agenda (Any Voting matters not anticipated by VAB)

Adjournment (motion to adjourn)