

**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 21<sup>st</sup> DAY OF FEBRUARY 2019, AT 5:30 P.M.**

Members present: Wayne Keen, Fernando Chavez, Leta Reiner, John McManners, Bill Butler, Tom Fordyce, Robert Tucker, Liesa Hackett

Members absent: Mike Christian, Mark Robinson, Shane Loosier, Leigh-Anne Stewart, Terry Batson, Doug Shaw

Guests present: Tom Welch, Cody Holmes (ROTC), Geanie McManners

**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 January 2019 minutes were approved without objection.

**b. Hear reports from committee members** – Tom Fordyce provided an update to the Wounded Warriors Banquet. Liesa Hackett asked the board to approve support for the City to promote the 5K Ruck March and Muster happening on March 30, as well as the Veterans Breakfast held on the first Saturday of the month at the H.E.A.R.T.S. Veterans Museum. The board approved unanimously. Chair Wayne Keen recognized Hackett for her service to local veterans. Hackett is also a member of the H.E.A.R.T.S. board, as well.

Robert Tucker offered his musical ministry to the board for any events they may need entertainment for. Bill Butler reminded the board that a group of Vietnam veterans meets every Thursday at 8 a.m. in Humble at IHOP. He also noted that a film company is considering producing a movie based on his book.

**c. Future items, projects, and proposals.** – The March meeting will be at 5:30 p.m. March 21<sup>st</sup>.

**d. Items of Community Interest** – ROTC Cody Holmes spoke about Morgan Latrell visiting with SHSU cadets. He also noted the Bataan Death March 18<sup>th</sup> to be held in El Paso. The ROTC asked the college to provide funding for the event next year.

**3. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was unanimously adjourned at 5:53 p.m.

Brenda Poe, City Secretary