



# HARFORD COUNTY COMMISSION ON VETERANS AFFAIRS

January 7, 2020 6:30 – 8:00 PM

Virtual, Online, Meeting on MS Teams

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**CALL TO ORDER** – Chairman

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** – All in attendance

**PRAYER** – Chaplain

**MISSION:** *To advocate for our veterans and their families and connect them to resources through outreach and education.*

**VISION:** *A Harford County community that is responsive to the needs of Veterans and their families.*

## **WELCOME, OPENING COMMENTS AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS**

- Committee Chairperson
- Committee Liaison/Coordinator

## **ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF GUESTS**

## **APPROVAL OF MINUTES.**

## **GUEST SPEAKERS:**

- Chris Buser, Chief of Social Work, VAMHCS, “Homeless Services for Veterans.”
- Joe Giordano, Founder of Project Opportunity

## **OLD BUSINESS:**

- County employees’ Veterans Day Grab-n-Go breakfast.
- Virtual 5th Annual Sgt. Alfred B. Hilton Memorial Celebration. November 7<sup>th</sup>
- Joint County Veterans Commission Meeting
  - NABVETS
  - Military Family Research Institute
- Veterans Appreciation and Recognition-Virtual

## **NEW BUSINESS**

- Veterans Information
  - Free Flu shots for Veterans: [https://www.maryland.va.gov/Free\\_Flu\\_Shots\\_for\\_Veterans.asp](https://www.maryland.va.gov/Free_Flu_Shots_for_Veterans.asp)
  - Homeless Veteran Support
  - Limited DD 214 support The National Personnel Records Center is Closed - Except for Emergencies
- Legislative Issues
- Programs and Outreach
  - Assistance requests received during the past month
  - MOAA Community Project. Request to partner on project
- Information for the County Executive and/or County Council
- Public Events and Recognition

## **MEMBER UPDATES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Councilman Andre Johnson- Committee Liaison/Coordinator  
Hayden Anthony (Vice Chair) – Education & Community Outreach  
Robert Appleby-Outreach  
Jennifer Button-Social Media and Outreach  
Arthur Kaff – Technology, Social Media & Legal  
Bill Montgomery – Education, Community Outreach  
Dennis Miller-Outreach  
Denise Perry-Benefits and Outreach  
Lisa Brown – Community Outreach  
Pam Silcox – Education & Community Outreach  
Scott Kearby – Commission Web site, Education & Community Outreach  
Janice Cassidy – Education; Representing Harford Community College  
Mike Ray –Representing Harford Chamber of Commerce; Benefits and Employment  
Colonel Druell –Aberdeen Proving Ground Designee  
Vic Petrosino - Chaplain Updates; Outreach  
Guest Comments (Lt Col Dennis Philapavage)

## **FINAL ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- Final comments from members and guests.
- Next meeting scheduled is February 4, 2021.
- Meetings are scheduled for the first Thursday of the month unless otherwise announced.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

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