

Clayton County Veterans Advisory Board

September 16, 2021, Minutes

Chairman Clarence Burnough called meeting to order at 6:40 PM. The meeting was held at The Plaza Building, 1590 Adamson Parkway, Suite 140, Morrow, GA. 30260. The following members were present: Chairman Clarence Burnough, Vice Chairman Paul Winfrey (by Zoom), Secretary Wilbert Jordan, Kenneth Gilmore, Thomas Holt and Sparkle Adams. Thomas Holt opened the meeting with a prayer.

There were no minutes to be read. The last scheduled meeting did not have a quorum present; so, no meeting was held.

Chairman Burnough welcomed the two new Board members: Thomas Holt and Sparkle Adams. Sparkle Adams wanted clarification of the Board's purpose. Secretary Jordan gave a brief history of Board's activities. He reminded everyone that the Board is to advise the County Commissioners of the issues that concern veterans and their families. The Secretary reminded all members to complete their "Open Records" training.

New Business: The Department of Veterans Affairs will require disposable masks only at all their facilities. No other masks will be allowed, as per CDC. Veterans need to contact their VA Primary Care Physician to find out when they should get their third/booster Covid vaccine. Currently, the VA is only offering Moderna.

Sparkle Adams will be inducted into the Georgia Military Veterans Hall of Fame on November 6, 2021. The Induction Ceremony and Banquet will be held at St. Luke Ministry Center, Columbus, GA. This annual event is open to the general public. Her picture will be unveiled at the Capitol Building in March 2022 DTBD. The picture will be on permanent display at the Capitol Building. This is a great honor for Adams and Clayton County.

The Georgia Veterans Day Association will honor our veterans at the new venue, The Battery Atlanta, Saturday, November 6, 2021, 12 Noon. There will be a parade and observation ceremony. It is free and open to the public.