



**Meeting Agenda**

**Veterans and Military Families Commission, Howard County  
Thursday, September 5, 2019; 7pm – 8:30pm  
9830 Patuxent Woods Drive, Columbia, Maryland 21046**

**7:00 pm** – Chair calls the meeting to order

**1) Establishment of Quorum**

<b>Last Name</b>	<b>First Name</b>	<b>P/A/E</b>	<b>Role</b>
Jolissaint	Greg		Chair
Branch	Jonathan		Co-Chair
Anthony	Jennifer		Commissioner
Avery	Reg		Commissioner
Bolen	Steve		Commissioner
Blum	Mike		Commissioner
Gillette	Bob		Commissioner
Lowell	Bob		Commissioner
Moore	Bob		Commissioner
Porterfield	Craig		Commissioner

**2) Other Key Commission Personnel in Attendance**

<b>Last Name</b>	<b>First Name</b>	<b>P/A/E</b>	<b>Role</b>
Terry	Lisa		Commission Administrator
Hall	Ed		Chair, JMMC
Mooney	Howard		Past Chair
Riddle	Wanda		Past Co-Chair
Agazio	Janice		Past Commissioner

**3) Acknowledgement of New Commissioner and Special Guests in Attendance**

- \*Jennifer Anthony, Commissioner
- \*Colonel (Retired) Edna Cummings
- \*Others?

**4) Special Presentation – HR 3138/S633** (Introduction by Steve Bolen; Presentation by COL(R) Edna Cummings)



**5) Consideration of and/or Corrections/Edits/Approval of June Commission Minutes**

**6) Old Business:**

- a. Feedback on Mental Health First Aid Class (Greg Jolissaint, Steve Bolen, John Way)
- b. Brief Report/Feedback on 20<sup>th</sup> Annual Village of River Hill July 4<sup>th</sup> Parade (Ed Hall)
- c. Brief Report/Feedback on Annual Howard County Fair (Ed Hall)
- d. Brief Report/Feedback/Final Status of the Howard County Veteran-owned Small Business Certification initiative (Craig Porterfield and Lisa Terry)
- e. Update on the Veteran Friendly Business Designation Program (new businesses added since June – Mike Blum)
- f. Update on Veteran Parking Initiative (Mike B)
- g. Brief Report on Neighborhood Square Ground Breaking (Bob Gillette)
- h. Potential Library Partnership (Lisa Terry)

**7) New Business:**

- a. Recommendation for County Executive, Commission endorsement of HR 3138/S633
- b. Foundation and Monument Update (Bob Gillette)
- c. VA Maryland Health Care System (VAMHCS) VSO and Congressional Stakeholders Meeting held in July (Steve Bolen)
- d. Recommendation for routine Commission representation at VAMHCS VSO and Congressional Stakeholders Meetings.
- e. Veterans Day HoCo Schools Presentation Program 2019 (Bob Moore)
- f. Howard County Veterans Day Parade, November 10, 9:30 am start time; Columbia Mall and Columbia Lakes (Bob Gillette; Lisa Terry; Ed Hall)
- g. Grand Marshall Recommendations for Veterans Day Parade (Greg Jolissaint)
- h. Veterans Resource Fair Planning Spring 2020 (Lisa Terry)
- i. Other JMMC Items of Importance (Ed Hall)
- j. Status of Commissioner Applications (Lisa Terry)
- k. Other New Business Not Yet Discussed (Commissioners; Meeting Attendees)



**8) Announcements (Commissioners; Meeting Attendees)**

**Next Commission Meetings:** October 3; November 7

**Patriot Day, 9/11** – HoCo Remembrance Ceremony, 10:38a, George Howard Building Courtyard

**Out of Darkness Walk** – September 28

**Resilience Run/Walk/Ruck 5K** – September 14

**Howard Community College Veterans Breakfast and Recognition event** - November 7,  
9-10:30am breakfast, 10:30am-11:30am ceremony in Galleria

**Fort Meade Veterans Day event** – November 7, 1pm

**9) Adjournment (Chair)**