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9830 Patuxent Woods Dr.
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**Agenda
03 March 2022**

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- 1. Roll Call of Commission Members to Establish a Quorum**
- 2. Acknowledgement of Howard County Government Officials in Attendance:**
Lisa Terry (Manager, Howard County Office of Veterans and Military Families)
- 3. Special Guest(s):**
- 4. Others in Attendance:**
- 5. Welcome by the Commission Chair/Pledge of Allegiance**
- 6. Reminders of Virtual Meeting Etiquette**
- 7. Guest Speaker(s):**



- Chris Anthony, CEO Teamworx Security

8. Consideration of the February 2022 Meeting Minutes

9. Opening Comments by Commission Chair

- Thanks to those who were able to attend the Flag Retirement Ceremony at the Ellicott City VFW Post on Saturday January 29th
- Thanks for those who were able to attend the Dignified Burial Ceremony for 7 Unclaimed Veterans at the Garrison Forest Veterans Cemetery in Owings Mills on February 4th.

10. Old or Reoccurring Business

- a. Veterans Peer Support Group Update (Paul Rivers and John Way)
- b. Howard County Veterans Foundation Update (Bob Gillett)
- c. New Commission Recorder Needed to replace Steve Bolen NLT May 2022
- d. Commission Branded Polo Shirts (Jerry Wykoff)
- e. Mental Health First Aid Classes for Fort Meade (Jonathan Way)
- f. Honor Cords for Graduating Seniors enlisting in the military post-graduation (Kelly Kessler)
- g. Highlights of February VA Maryland Health Care System VSO and Congressional Stakeholder Meeting (Steve Bolen)
- h. Other Old Business (Greg, Lisa, Others)

11. New Business

- a. 2022 Veterans Day Parade Planning Meetings (Greg, Lisa)
- b. No Struggle No Success - Recidivism, Entrepreneurship – Recordings of Commissioners to inspire Troubled Teens (Lisa/Jerry)
- c. Howard County Schools Simulated Congressional Hearings (SCH) (Reg Avery)
- d. Veterans Day Presentations in HCPSS (Reg Avery)



- e. Expired Commissioner terms renewed for Commissioners Jolissaint, Lowell, and Nafrettifi
- f. New Commissioner Nomination (Lisa, Greg)
 - The resume of Major Terri Tyler, Howard County Civil Air Patrol, was submitted to the County Executive for consideration as a replacement for Steve Bolen
- g. Howard County Joint Military Council (Michael Jackson)
- h. Adaptive Hike, Patapsco Valley State Park. Grist Mill Hike @ Lost Lake (Near Halethorpe). Saturday March 12, 2022, 9:15am-11:30am
- i. New Business from HCCVMF Commissioners (Greg)
- j. VFW Family Freedom Fest – April 2
- k. Additional Dates of Significance:
 - 1) **March is Brain Injury Awareness Month**; provides an opportunity to bring attention to the prevention of traumatic brain injury (TBI) and to promote strategies to improve the quality of life for persons living with TBI (as well as their families).
 - 2) On **March 6, 1931**, President Herbert Hoover signed a congressional resolution officially making “**The Star-Spangled Banner**” the national anthem of the United States of America.
 - 3) **March 29** – National Vietnam Veterans Day
 - 4) **April** – month of the military child
 - 5) **April 5** -- **Gold Star Spouses Day**

12. Next Commission Meeting Dates

- April 7; May 5; June 2

13. Adjournment