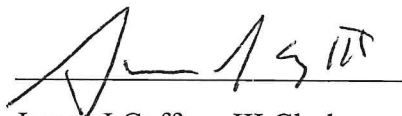


## VETERANS COMMISSION MEETING Minutes 8/5/20

- 1.Meeting was called to order by the Vice Chair on August 5<sup>th</sup>, 2020 at 5:00 PM  
The meeting was conducted via Virtual Zoom
2. The Vice Chair then led the members in the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence for departed comrades.
- 3.The Clerk called the Roll and the following members answered present: Roland Cartier, James Gaffney, Brian Gorman Andeth Vann, Richard Cote, and Matthew Elkins. The clerk noted the presence of a quorum.  
Newly appointed member Walter O'Neill, Jr was also present and introduced himself to the membership.
- 4.There was no new information on the Veteran Suicide topic but there was discussion of trying to add the Veteran Suicided Hotline number to the LTC Veterans Commission page.
- 5.Vice Chair Andeth Vann advised as to continued postponement of the Musgrave VOM ceremony pending opportunity to have a full ceremony with guests There was also discussion of reviewing eligibility criteria
- 6.TheVice Char and clerk will contact Lowell City Departments to explore availability of Business Cards and Stationary Certificates etc.
- 7.The clerk reported on discussions with the Lowell Housing Authority Chairman and Executive Director. Topics included Veteran priority for housing spaces, Plans for new Veteran Housing facilities, Veteran employment and possibly resuming forums to identify Veteran needs and issues.
- 8.The Veterans service officer provide an update food distribution/benefits processing and continuing outreach to Identify Veterans in need
- 9.Upon motion duly made and seconded it was voted to Adjourn

Signed this 9<sup>th</sup> Day of September 2020 as a True Record of Proceedings of the City of Lowell Veterans Commission

  
James J Gaffney III Clerk