



VETERANS SERVICES ADVISORY BOARD

**Citrus County Resource Center
2804 Marc Knighton Court
Lecanto, FL 34461**

AGENDA

March 13, 2025 - 3:00 PM

**Bill Merryman, Chairman
Arena Broadbent, Vice Chairman
Walter "Bud" Osborn, Member**

**Greg Pelletier, Member
Dave Halbstein, Member**

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

To manage growth and foster prosperity by prioritizing the protection of environmental assets, the development and maintenance of infrastructure, and the health, safety, and well-being of its citizens.

Any person who decides to appeal any decision of the Governing Board with respect to any matter considered at this meeting will need a record of the proceedings and for such purpose may need to provide that a verbatim record of proceeding is made, which record includes testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based. (Section 286.0105, Florida Statutes) Any person requiring reasonable accommodation at this meeting because of a disability or physical impairment should contact the County Administrator's Office, Citrus County Courthouse, 110 N. Apopka Avenue, Inverness, Florida 34450, (352) 341-6560, at least two days before the meeting.

A. CALL TO ORDER

A.1. Pledge of Allegiance

A.2. Roll Call

B. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

C. OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

D. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

D.1. Approve Minutes from January 16, 2025 meeting

E. OLD BUSINESS

- E.1.**
- 1. Nov-Dec 804 veteran/families served as well as 10 outreaches**
 - 2. New VA Clinic location 3949 W Gul to Lake Hwy with additional services to include Audiology, Mammography, Podiatry, PMR, Prosthetics and Sensory Aids, Home based care, Radiology, Pathology, Pharmacy and additional Support Services**
 - 3. Veterans Advisory Board has 3 vacancies submit by Feb 20th**
 - 4. FY24 numbers 4,852 veterans and families served, 41 outreaches to the community, \$297M in VA Expenditures to include \$157M in Comp & Pen**

F. NEW BUSINESS

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- 1. Jan-Feb 851 veteran/families served as well 12 outreaches into the community**
 - 2. Veterans Expo/Information seminar, with over 50 in attendance**
 - 3. Veterans Advisory Board has 3 vacancies, will be upcoming agenda**
 - 4. Phil Watson named to Rep Bilirakis Service Academy selection committee**
 - 5. VA Clinic 90 day delay on track now; only 1 VA employee in Tampa system impact by DOGE; still hiring; Gus Senior Fair April 22nd**
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