



VETERANS SERVICES ADVISORY BOARD

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

AGENDA

May 14, 2026 - 3:30 PM

**John McGee, Chairman
Arlena Broadbent
Paul Sunseri**

**John Colson
Greg Pelletier**

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, Lecanto Government Bldg., 3600 W. Sovereign Path, Suite 267, Lecanto, FL 34461 (352) 527-5210, If you are hearing or speech impaired, dial 7-1-1, 1-800-955-8771 (TTY) or 1-800-955-8770 (v), via Florida Relay Service 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 the March 12, 2026 meeting

E. OLD BUSINESS

- 1. Jan - Feb veterans/families served**
- 2. Expiration of Terms**
- 3. VSAB Bylaws**
- 4. VBA Medicine Rule**

F. NEW BUSINESS

- 1. Mar-Apr Veteran/families served**
- 2. BOCC appointments**
- 3. Veteran Suicides**
- 4. VBA using AI**
- 5. FI Vets Dental**
- 6 Claim Sharks not Credentialed**

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D.1.

AGENDA MEMORANDUM

FROM:	Eric Head, Community Services Director				
SUBJECT:	Approve Minutes from the March 12, 2026 meeting				
AGENDA DATE:	May 14, 2026				
<u>BRIEF OVERVIEW:</u> Approve the minutes 3-12-26					
<u>STRATEGIC PLANNING ELEMENT:</u>					
<u>BUDGET IMPACT/FUNDING SOURCE:</u>					
Account No.	Account Title	Current Budget	YTD Expenditure	Encumbrances	Available Balance
<u>RECOMMENDED ACTION:</u> Approve the Minutes from the March 12, 2026 meeting					
<u>ATTACHMENTS:</u> 1. VSAB Mtg Mins 3-12-26					



CITRUS COUNTY VETERANS SERVICES ADVISORY BOARD

MINUTES – Mar 12, 2026

Citrus County Veterans Services Advisory Board met in regular session on Thursday, Mar 12, 2026, at 3:30 p.m. in the Citrus County Resource Center, located at 2804 Marc Knighton Court, Lecanto, FL. 34461.

CALL TO ORDER

- Meeting was called to order; Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

MEMBERS' ROLL CALL

Attendees	Title	Status
John McGee	Chairman	Present
Arlena Broadbent	Vice Chairman	Present
Paul Sunseri	Member	Absent
Greg Pelletier	Member	Present
John Colson	Member	Present

DETERMINATION OF QUORUM

Quorum met.

COUNTY STAFF PRESENT

Diana Finegan, County Commissioner
Philip Watson, CVSO Manager, CCRC
Damian Culley, CVSO & Recording Clerk, CCRC

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

***Motion** by Greg Pelletier to approve Agenda. Motion seconded, approved, carried.*

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

***Motion** by John Colson to approve Minutes from previous meeting on 11/13/25. Motion seconded, approved, carried.*

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

No members of the public were present.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Nov-Dec 646 veteran/families served 10 outreaches into the community as well.
2. Arlena Newson and Paul Sunseri terms expires 31 Mar 2026
3. VSAB Bi-laws changes update – Monuments & Robert's Rules of Order
4. Veteran Court Kelly Kell 341-7035/benefit reductions
5. Board member updates/VSO updates – New Van & Wrap for the Bridge 4 Veterans

NEW BUSINESS

1. Jan-Feb 834 veteran/families served 7 outreaches into the community as well.
2. Arlena Newson and Paul Sunseri terms expires 31 Mar 2026/BOCC Agenda – Two applicants have been submitted
3. Veteran Suicides down 6398 to 6442 from '23 to '24 SVDP 727-483-8151
4. VBA medicine rule halted
5. Board member updates/VSO updates: BoCC approves Building Codes for VA Clinic; Bridge 4 Veterans current has 3 veterans housed and one more on the way.

ADJOURNMENT

***Motion** by John McGee to adjourn the meeting, motion seconded. Meeting adjourned.*

Next meeting – May 14, 2026, at 3:30 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Damian Culley, CVSO & Recording Clerk, CCRC



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