

**OKLAHOMA VETERANS COMMISSION  
MEETING MINUTES  
March 22, 2023 9:00AM  
Vezev Veterans Complex  
2132 NE 36<sup>th</sup> St  
Oklahoma City, OK 73111**

**NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING**

The Oklahoma Veterans Commission held a Special Meeting on **Wednesday, March 22, 2023, at 9:00AM** at the Vezev Veterans Complex, 2132 NE 36<sup>th</sup> St, Oklahoma City, OK 73111. A Notice of this meeting was filed with the Secretary of State's Office on March 13, 2023 at 10:39 AM.

**AGENDA**

- I. CALL TO ORDER**  
The Vice Chairman called the meeting to order and turned the gavel over to Commissioner Robert Allen.
  
- II. ROLL CALL AND DECLARATION OF QUORUM**  
  
Commissioner Allen: Present  
Commissioner Ellington: Present  
Commissioner Martin: Present  
Commissioner McEver: Present  
Commissioner Offel: Absent  
Commissioner Orr: Absent  
Commissioner Perry: Present  
  
The Chairman was notified that 6 commissioners were present and 2 absent.
  
- III. VERIFICATION OF PROPER NOTICE AND POSTING OF THE AGENDA**  
  
Verified proper notice and posting of the agenda.
  
- IV. OKLAHOMA DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS**
  - A. Potential and Pending Investigations and Litigation.**  
Proposed Executive Session: pursuant to Title 25 O.S. §307(B)(4) for confidential communications between the Commission and its' Attorney concerning a pending investigation, claim, or action if the Commission, with the advice of its Attorney, determines that disclosure will seriously impair the ability of the public body to

process the claim or conduct a pending investigation, litigation, or proceeding in the public interest.

1. Discussion and Possible Action to enter Executive Session

**Commissioner Ellington made the motion to enter Executive Session.**

**Commissioner McEver provided the second.**

**Commissioner Allen: Aye**  
**Commissioner Ellington: Aye**  
**Commissioner Martin: Aye**  
**Commissioner McEver: Aye**  
**Commissioner Perry: Aye**

**Motion Passes**

**The Commission entered Executive Session at 9:01am**

2. Report of Potential and Pending Litigation
3. Action to return to Open Session

**Commissioner Ellington made the motion to return to open meeting.**

**Commissioner Martin provided the second.**

**Commissioner Allen: Aye**  
**Commissioner Ellington: Aye**  
**Commissioner Martin: Aye**  
**Commissioner McEver: Aye**  
**Commissioner Perry: Aye**

**Motion Passes**

**The Commission returned to open meeting at 10:49am**

**B. Sallisaw Veterans Center.**

**Report, discussion and possible action on the following:**

1. Declaration of Emergency relating to unexpected expenses incurred during construction of CAP Project No. 19273CM-Sallisaw 175 Bed Replacement
  - a. Action

**Commissioner Ellington: I MOVE THAT THIS COMMISSION DECLARE THAT AN EMERGENCY EXISTS, UNDER TITLE 61, SECTION 130 OF THE OKLAHOMA STATUTES, WITH RESPECT TO THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE SALLISAW VETERANS CENTER, CAP**

**PROJECT NO. 19273CM-SALLISAW 175 BED REPLACEMENT, DUE TO THE EXISTENCE OF CONDITIONS RESULTING FROM A SUDDEN UNEXPECTED HAPPENING OR UNFORESEEN OCCURRENCE OR CONDITION WHEREBY THE PUBLIC HEALTH OR SAFETY IS ENDANGERED OR FURTHER DAMAGE TO STATE PROPERTY IS LIKELY IF THE SITUATION IS NOT ADDRESSED PROMPTLY.**

**Commissioner Martin provided the second.**

**Commissioner Allen: Aye  
Commissioner Ellington: Aye  
Commissioner Martin: Aye  
Commissioner McEver: Aye  
Commissioner Perry: Aye**

**Motion Passes**

**V. ADJOURNMENT**

**Commissioner Martin made the motion to adjourn**

**Commissioner Ellington provided the second.**

**Commissioner Allen: Aye  
Commissioner Ellington: Aye  
Commissioner Martin: Aye  
Commissioner McEver: Aye  
Commissioner Perry: Aye**

**Motion Passes**