

Veterans Empowerment Commission Meeting Minutes

Thursday, November 21, 2024, 1pm

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://zoom.us/j/95160595887?pwd=Z1FlaTR1aHhLNkZFdzc1N0IreThOUT09>

Meeting ID: 951 6059 5887

Passcode: 744705

Call to Order/Welcome

- The meeting was called to order by Chairman Brown-Parks at 1:05pm

Roll Call

- **Members Present:** Dr. Samantha Brown-Parks, Patricia Lewis, Rev McGhee, John Walsh, Anthony Merritt
- **Members Absent:** Shawn Hanley, Rick White, Stephen Leake, Michael Moore
- **Staff Present:** Ann Isaac (Community Development)

Invocation by Rev. McGhee

Pledge led by Patricia Lewis

Approval of Meeting Agenda

- Agenda approved.

Ratification of June 20, 2024 and September 19, 2024 Meeting Minutes

- Minutes approved.

Old Business

- Review of 2024 VEC Workplan
 - In person meetings discussed.
 - There is support and meeting space.
 - Suggestions was provided for meeting space.
 - Review of by-laws approved by the Fulton County Board of Commissioners.

New Business

- 2025 Priorities
 - Officer Elections
 - Website
 - Discussion of having resources listed, so that Veterans are aware of services provided.

Announcements

- Next meeting scheduled for Thursday, January 19, 2025 at 1:00pm.
- Cobb County's Veterans Group event
 - Wreaths are laid on gravesites.
 - Were approximately 191 wreaths short.
 - See website at sonsofatlanta.org to support efforts.

Meeting Adjourned 1:33pm.