

**AGENDA OF THE VETERANS COMMISSION MEETING
FOR THE CITY OF HAYDEN, KOOTENAI COUNTY, IDAHO**

Thursday, May 7, 2026

Commission Meeting: 4:00 PM
Hayden City Hall Council Chambers, 8930 N. Government Way, Hayden, ID 83835

**CALL TO ORDER
ROLL CALL OF COUNCIL MEMBERS
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
ADDITIONS OR CORRECTIONS**

1. **CONSENT CALENDAR** *All items on the Consent Calendar are Action Items*
 - A. Approval of April 4, 2026 Veterans Commission Meeting Minutes

**MINUTES OF THE VETERANS COMMISSION MEETING
FOR THE CITY OF HAYDEN, KOOTENAI COUNTY, IDAHO**

Thursday, April 2, 2026

Commission Meeting: 4:00 PM
Hayden City Hall Council Chambers, 8930 N. Government Way, Hayden, ID 83835

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 4:03 PM.

ROLL CALL OF COMMISSION MEMBERS

Julie Colangelo: Absent
Chair Cosby: Present
Jim Schrader: Present
Jeffrey Snell: Present
Ray Verbrugge: Absent

ADDITIONS OR CORRECTIONS

CONSENT CALENDAR **All items on the Consent Calendar are Action Items**
Motion to approve the March 5, 2026 Veterans Commission Meeting Minutes. This motion, made by Snell and seconded by Schrader, Carried.

Julie Colangelo: Absent
Chair Cosby: Yes
Jim Schrader: Yes
Jeffrey Snell: Yes
Ray Verbrugge: Absent

Yes: 3, No: 0, Absent: 2

Approval of March 5, 2026 Veterans Commission Meeting Minutes

VISITOR/PUBLIC COMMENTS on Non-Agenda Items (5-minutes maximum)

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Veterans Commission Recruitment **(ACTION ITEM)**

Chair Cosby said that business cards were handed out at the previous month's meeting and asked if commissioners had noticed any distribution. Commissioner Schrader said there was nothing notable except for a visitor from the previous week and said he would follow up with him. Chair Cosby encouraged everyone to continue spreading the word about needing more members. Recreation & Community Events Staff Member Jennifer Arrotta said she still had extra business cards available and could order more if needed with a little advance notice.

Memorial Day Ceremony **(ACTION ITEM)**

Recreation & Community Events Staff Member Jennifer Arrotta informed the commission that the Memorial Day Program had been updated following the commission's discussion at the previous month's meeting. Chair Cosby suggested a minor adjustment to one of the recent changes made to the program, and the commission reviewed the Memorial Day Ceremony Program with Arrotta. During the discussion, Arrotta asked the clerk if there were any new commemorative bricks, and the clerk said she believed there were at least two. Arrotta then asked if the names had been included in the program yet, and the clerk said no, but they should be added by May. Chair Cosby asked whether the new names would be

added to the program in bold and marked with an asterisk, and Arrotta confirmed that they would be. Vice-Chair Snell said he confirmed with Guest Speaker Helen Nelson that she was ready to go, but he was not sure if they had received official word that Council approved her to speak, though he thought they were planning to proceed with her. He also relayed questions from Nelson that he was unsure of but thought City staff might be able to answer. Arrotta responded that Nelson had been accepted and that a letter with details had been sent from the mayor, and said she had not yet heard from Nelson but would follow up once she had the answers to her questions.

Establishing Guest Speaker Guidance (ACTION ITEM)

This agenda item was tabled until the next month's meeting.

Criteria for Selecting a Guest Speaker (ACTION ITEM)

Speech Criteria for Memorial & Veterans Day Ceremonies (ACTION ITEM)

REPORTS

City Staff

City Administrator Lisa Ailport discussed the commission's budget regarding the fund balance currently shown, noting that it does not appear to match the figures held by Recreation & Community Events Director Suzanne Cano, and said they are working to figure it out. Chair Cosby asked if he could be sent a copy of the spreadsheet Ailport referenced, and she said she could provide it, noting that the spreadsheet would not explain all revenues and that they would need to dig in further. Chair Cosby stated that he could bring up any additional questions later. He also asked if Ailport would like him to sit down with her to review it, noting his experience on the commission, and Ailport responded that she just needed to know what questions he had, if any, so she could dig into them, and said a meeting was not necessary unless he wanted to.

Chair and Commission Members

There were no reports.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 4:25 p.m.

Isabelle White, Clerk

2. **VISITOR/PUBLIC COMMENTS on Non-Agenda Items (5-minutes maximum)**
3. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**
 - A. Veterans Commission Recruitment (ACTION ITEM)
 - B. Memorial Day Ceremony (ACTION ITEM)



Veterans Commission Members

Ian Cosby, Chair
 Jeffrey Snell, Vice-Chair
 Julie Colangelo
 Jim Schrader
 Ray Verbrugge

SPECIAL THANK YOU'S TO:

- JOANN GORDON FOR PROVIDING THE MEMORIAL DAY WREATH
- LAKE CITY RENTALS FOR DONATING CHAIRS
- THE VINE CHURCH FOR PROVIDING REFRESHMENTS
- CITY OF HAYDEN PARKS CREW FOR PREPARING THE PFC ROBERT J. GORDON MEMORIAL PLAZA



The Hayden Veterans Commission invites community and area residents to honor veterans by placing their names on commemorative bricks in the PFC Robert J. Gordon Veterans Memorial Plaza. For more information visit our website or stop by Hayden City Hall.

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 Phone; (208) 209-1080/Website: www.haydenid.gov

2026

City of Hayden Memorial Day Ceremonies



Monday, May 25

Memorial Day Remembrance Ceremony
 McIntire Family Park &
 PFC Robert J. Gordon Memorial Plaza
 11:00 a.m.



City of Hayden

Memorial Day Remembrance Ceremony

11:00 a.m. @ McIntire Family Park

- Master of Ceremony**..... Ian Cosby, Chair
Hayden Veterans Commission
- Presentation of Colors**..... Kootenai County Sheriff Honor Guard
- Pledge of Allegiance**..... Jeffrey Snell, Vice-Chair
Hayden Veterans Commission
- Prayer**..... Kevin Schultz, Pastor
The Vine Church
- National Anthem**..... Debbie O'Brien, Lead
Melodie Hays, Bass
Erin Mueller, Tenor
Glenda Kohoutek, Baritone
Lake City Harmonizers
- Mayor's Welcome & Recognition of Special Guests**..... Alan Davis, Mayor
City of Hayden
- Reading of 2026 Newly-Installed Commemorative Bricks**..... Ed DePriest, President
Hayden City Council
- Introduction of Guest Speaker**..... Jeffrey Snell, Vice-Chair
Hayden Veterans Commission
- Memorial Day Address**..... Helen (Gordon) Nelson

Sister of PFC Robert J. Gordon, for whom the City of Hayden's Memorial Plaza was named. Helen will share her brother's touching story.
- Announcement of Memorial Wreath**... Ian Cosby, Chair
Hayden Veterans Commission
- Placement of Memorial Wreath at PFC Robert J. Gordon Veterans Memorial Plaza**..... Jim Schrader, Member
Ray Verbrugge, Member
Hayden Veterans Commission
- Rifle Salute**..... Kootenai County Sheriff Honor Guard
- Taps**..... Kootenai County Sheriff Deputy Cody Griffith
- Retiring of Colors**..... Kootenai County Sheriff Honor Guard
- "Amazing Grace"**..... Kristin Stafford
Hot Punch Highlanders



THE COMMEMORATIVE BRICKS VIDEO CAN BE SEEN ON THE CITY OF HAYDEN WEBSITE AT WWW.HAYDENID.GOV

Vernon Vanderhoef
 Dwight D. Van Horn
 Bruce Vickerman
 Carol H. Vorhis
 Marvin L. Waddell
 Robert Wagner
 Thomas R. Walker
 Dick Wandrocke
 Eric L. Ward
 Roy F. Wargi
 Craig R. Watt
 Frank J. Weiss
 Randolph F. Weiss
 Steven K. Weitz
 William R. Welch Jr.
 Steve Wesson
 Ernest White
 George White
 Harold E. Whitney
 Paul W. Wicks
 Kenneth G. Wiegele
 Aaron J. Williams
 W. R. Williams
 Ronald E. Wilson
 Craig S. Wood
 Jack Wood
 Harold Woodson
 George M. Wuest
 Joanna Lee Wuest
 Joseph H. Wuest
 Kenneth W. Wuest
 Kevin S. Wuest
 Otis S. Wuest
 Gary D. Yoder
 John L. Zorn
 Combat Vet. Riders of Coeur d'Alene
 Disabled American Veterans
 Ft. Sherman Chapter 9
 Submarine Veterans of North Idaho &
 Eastern Washington
 VFW Post 3622 Bonners Ferry
 Military Order of the Cootie Pup
 Tent 3 Idaho
 All Those Missing in Action



DISTINGUISHED VETERAN OF THE YEAR

The Hayden Veterans Commission will honor the Distinguished Veteran on Veterans Day at its annual Veterans Day Ceremony. The criteria for selection of the Distinguished Veteran are as follows:

- Epitomizes the spirit of "Duty, Honor, Country" both during his/her military service and in continued service to the Hayden Community
- Have been enlisted, a warrant or commission officer
- Possess Honorable Discharge
- No felony conviction

How to Nominate:

- Write a one-two page biography highlighting the candidate's military experience and service to the local community

Qualified Documentation Required:

- Proper discharge certificate (DD-214 or equivalent)
- Awards
- Commendation listed
- Any other pertinent military facts
- Community service activities/positions held

DISTINGUISHED VETERANS

2007 - Wayne Syth
2008 - William Conally
2009 - William "Dusty" Rhoads
2010 - Dorothy Tarleton
2011 - Gerald W. Engelbrecht
2012 - Carl Gidlund
2013 - David Sheldon
2014 - Herbert (Bud) Kirchoff
2015 - Robert Shoeman
2016 - Margaret Ogram
2017 - Harold Markiewicz
2018 - Gregory "Mac" McCarty
2019 - Charles L. Riffel
2020 - Joan Genter
2021 - Helen Kinder
2022 - Harold "Hal" Donahue
2023 - Christopher Spatz
2024 - Robert O. Martin
2025 - Ross Welburn

For more information, call 208-209-1080

Thank You For Your Service



Names engraved on the
 Commemorative Bricks are placed in the
 PFC. Robert J. Gordon Veterans Memorial Plaza

*New Commemorative Brick Names

Lewis Abegglen
 Robert Abegglen
 Carolyn E. Adams
 Charles Anderson
 Kristine M. Anding
 M. W. Anding
 Tom Anding
 James A. Angel
 Renee Ann
 Roger Conrad Axlund
 Earl R. Baker
 Vernon J. Baker
 David F. Balbi
 John E. Barbagello
 Elbert M. Barton
 Carl F. Bartz
 H.G. Baughman
 Vernon F. Beamis
 Ronald Becker
 Mike Bernardo
 Nate Beyers
 H. W. Biggerstaff
 Darold L. Bingham

Ivan L. Bishop
 Dennis W. Blaire
 Bryan D. Bledsoe
 Clayton D. Blumer
 Rick L. Blumer
 B.E. "Brad" Bradford
 Don E. Bradford
 Don E. "DJ" Bradford
 Michael Brooks
 William J. Bruce
 Robert E. Buckham
 Robert H. Buckham
 David Burrough
 Kenneth E. Burton
 Wayne Kenneth Burton
 Stephen J. Caires
 Bruce R. Carde
 Rudy T. Carlson
 Dick Casselman
 David R. Casteel
 Walter J. Chapman
 Stefan T. Chatwin
 Conrad A. Chisholm
 David N. Churilla
 Lloyd Allen Clark

Stanley A. Clem
 Roger P. Clemens
 Gary Cobb
 Jerry J. Cobb
 John W. Conaway
 Edward Conery
 William W. Connally
 Jim Connell
 William O. Cooper
 Robert C. Courtemanche
 James Loid Crandall
 Tom Cronin
 Eric R. Cross
 Frank Cozzetto
 Andrew Cypher
 Lyle Allen Daggett
 James A. Daly
 Sean M Daly
 Charles H. Daman
 Oliver P. Dawson
 Thomas C. DePew
 George R. Dietz
 James C. Dillman
 Laurie E. Dillman
 Dave "Mad Dog" Dolby

Harold "Hal" Donahue
Jeremiah Donovan
Stanley J. Dorosh
Robert T. Douglas
Dennis Duff
Travis G. Duff
Kenneth E. Dunlap Jr.
Reynaldo A. Duran
Frank C. Durk
Vic Eachon Jr.
Lorin L. Eaton
Tom F. Edmondson
Gerald W. Engelbrecht
Fred Anthony Exner Iii
Matthew P. Farina
Nicholas J. Farina
Jon James Fencil
Otis Myron Fencil
Donald C. Ferguson
John D. Ferguson
Kenneth W. Fiddelke
Luis Flores
James H. Frame
Tom Franklin
H. John Freligh
Benedict A. Frigge
Joseph R. Frontado
Duke Gaffney
William G. Gaines Jr.
William G. Gaines Sr.
Brandon "Doc" Gallegos
Collin R. Galloway
Richard J. Gamache
James Allen Garvey
Joseph M. Garvey
Mike George
Joan Genter
Carl Gidlund
Bob Gilbertson
Edward B. Gombos
Richard D. Good
Robert J. Gordon
Robert L. Gordon
James Darrell Gould
Adam D. Grace
Douglas S. Grace
Charles Q. Graham
Kellen M. Griffiths
James R. Griffiths Jr.

Darwin Grunwald
Jane O. Grunwald
Daniel Guerrero
James William Gully
Steven Guzauskis
Gary L. Habecker
Leo Haick
James W. Hall (Jim)
Roger Dean Hansen
Pat Hargrave
James William Harsch
Cecil W. Hathaway
Allen Henkin
Eugene James Hergert
Charles F. Hetzler
Francis Hildahl
Melvin C. Hill
Edward D. Hirschinger
James W. Hite Sr.
Gordon M. Hodge
Wilbur B. Hodge
Wayne Holecek
E.P. "Al" Holm
John L. Holst
Steven C. Holst
Patrick J. Hong slo
Jack Hood
Richard A. Hoopman
Arthur Huey
Richard F. Hughes
Daniel C. Hummer
Milton L. Hunt
Thomas Hyndman Jr.
Billy Speed Ingram
Ronald S. Ingram
Gordon Lee Jettie
Charles T. Johnson
Chris Johnson
David E. Johnson
Richard M. Johnson
Ronald E. Johnson
Samuel Mark Johnson
Wayne E Johnson
Timothy Johnston
Camella Jane Jones
Darcy L. Jones
Angelo Bob Juliano
Irvan Kaplan
Eddie A. Keith

Fred "Doc" Kelly
Ce Kerwin
Craig Kerwin
Ruth Everett Keys
Jesse E. Kimm
John L. Kimm
Dr. Frank Kimball
Noel R. Kimball
Samuel R. Kimball
Helen Kinder
Herbert "Bud" Kirchhoff
Wayne Evan Kleitz
Gail Anthony Koch
John Devana Koger Jr.
Floyd L. Koontz
Gilbert Laird
Lyman L. Lambeth
David D. Larsen
Brandon Lyle Larson
Michael L. Larson
Frederick K. Lartz Jr.
Eli Leach
Chris Liermann
Jay Lee Lilleflore
Gene "Geno" Lindsey
Stephen A. Loar
Bill Lopez
Clinton H. Lowery
Garth B. Lybbert
Roy Macdonald
Paul Mahlow
Dana R. Mailloux
Franklin Mark
Harold E. Markiewicz
Lloyd P Marsh
Frank A. Martin
Robert O. Martin
Calvin M. Mauck
Gregory "Mac" McCarty
Dwight A. McCain
Doral L. Mcgee
Michael B. McFarland
Don McGrogan
Ronald B. McIntire
Hugh Walter McKay
William A. McKenna
Nicole McLain
James B. McMaster
Frank E. Mille

Ralph H. Miller
Ray Mitten
Eugene E. Moe
Harold Edward Moline
Michael J. Montgomery
Kenneth D. Montreuil
Terry Morgan
James E. Moss
Jon Moss
Henry "Hap" Murphy
Delbert Napier
John A. Nelson
John N. Nelson
Erik P. Nemeck
Paul N. Nemeck
Zachary W. Nemeck
Lee Nesbitt
Robert B. Neubig
Nicholas W. Newby
Nick Nicholson
Glenn F. Nyberg
Charles B. O'Brien
Daniel R. Obrien
Margaret F. Ogram
William (Al) Ogram
Patrick C. O'Halloran
Delmer Olson
Richard E. Olson
***Julius S. Orsak**
Julius S. Orsak Sr.
Michael Paquin
Jerry Parker
Jim Parsons
Robert C. Petersen
Robert H. Petersen
George Phinney
Edgar B. Pickens
Patrick P. Pickens
Thaddeus "Thad" Piller
Edwin D. Pleger
Dennis L. Poncato
Nancy H. Powers
Dane A. Prevatt
Robert C. Prevatt
Steven M. Puder
Monty Quiring
Sandra J. Rakow
Aaron P. Rasmussen
Leland "Jay" Reasor

Gary J. Redel
Stanley R. Regele
Jeremy Lane Reynolds
Theodore M Reynolds
William "Dusty" Rhoads
Herman "Dusty" Rhodes
Robert V. Riddle
Charles L. Riffel
Paul Ritchie
Edward L. Robinson
James F. Robison
Marvin C. Rod
Michael C. Rod
Mark A. Rohring
Bernarr G. Roper
David Rosenkrantz
Harry W. Ross
Samuel W. Ross
Dr. Vincent A. Rossi
Bruce G. Roth
Joseph A. Roth
Roger J. Roth
Edward Rowe
Jeffrey E. Royer
Abram C. Rubow
Robert T. Rubow
William Rubow
Richard David Ruen
Rey Rule
C. Allan Ryan
Jason Rzepa
Catherine Sampert
Ronald J. Sampert Jr.
John A. Sans
Edward M. Santos
Albert Saterfiel
Dick Sather
Lavern Earl Schaffer
D.D. Schlegelmilch
Albert W. Schlepp
Barrett A. Schulenburg
James Sciortino
Herbert E. Scott
James W. Seigfried
Darrell Severns
Joe L. Shankle
Kenneth A. Sharp
Delmar L. Shaw
Dave Sheldon

Robert Thomas Shelly
Richard Sherron
Edward Shipman
Robert Shoeman
Taylor Silva
Dustin W. Slaney
Charles H. Slate
Larry Smith
Richard Smith
Roger B. Smith
Charles A. Somers Jr.
Wayne R. Sorensen
Christopher Spatz
***Ivorman W. Spencer**
***John D. Spencer**
Dale Stamper
Robert D. Stanley
Paul D. Stephens
Willard Stetzelberger
James W. Stillinger
Charles L. Stockdale
Travis Stolley
Timothy W. Stricklin
Naaman Strom
Neil Strom
James T. Strong
Emmett M. Sullivan
James T. Sullivan
Fred Harvey Summers
***Vern L. Stambaugh**
Martin P. Suter
Randell Sweet
Gary G. Sylte
Hugh K. Syth
Wayne H. Syth
Anthony S. Taibi
Sal A. Taibi
Dorothy Tarleton
Dean A. Thie
Walter P. Tipke
Jay L. Townsend
Frank G. Tripepi
Jack H. Troxel
Jeffrey S. Tucker
Richard C. Turnbow
Timothy W. Turner
Michael Lee Valerino
Neil B. Vandemark
Doran W. Vanderhoef

- C. Establishing Guest Speaker Guidance (ACTION ITEM)
 - i. Criteria for Selecting a Guest Speaker (ACTION ITEM)
 - ii. Speech Criteria for Memorial & Veterans Day Ceremony (ACTION ITEM)
- 4. **NEW BUSINESS**
 - A. Annual Commemorative Brick Orders (ACTION ITEM)
- 5. **REPORTS**
 - A. City Staff
 - B. Chair and Commission Members
- 6. **ADJOURNMENT**