



Sullivan County Veterans Committee

June 7, 2018 AGENDA
1:00 PM

Committee Members:

Mark McCarthy, Chair Joseph Perrello, Vice Chair Catherine Owens Nadia Rajsz Scott Samuelson

Call to Order

Pledge of Allegiance:

Public Comment

Opening Remarks - Mark McCarthy, Chairman:

Commanders' Reports - Veterans Service Organizations:

Director's Report:

1. Veterans Service Agency June Agenda
2. Employment Opportunities - Resorts World Catskills - Ken Spino
3. Report of Meeting with New York State Division of Veteran's Affairs
4. Comments on Memorial Day Activities
5. New VA Regulations on Veteran's Government-furnished grave marker

Resolution:

1. **Calling for Support of NYS Senate Bill S 8210.**

Adjourn

Reports:



Sullivan County Veterans Service Agency

SULLIVAN COUNTY GOVERNMENT CENTER

PO BOX 5012

AddressCity, AddressState, AddressPostal

Veterans Service Agency Report June 7, 2018 - 1:00 p.m.

1. Veterans transported to V.A. Medical Centers:

	<u>Albany</u>	<u>Castle Point</u>
March	33	112
April	36	167

2. Veterans/Dependents buried in Sullivan County Veterans Cemetery through April 30, 2018:

Veterans Buried Alone.1036

Dependents. 113

Veterans/Spouses. 504

Total Burials in Veterans Cemetery. . . .1653

3. Contacts:
- | | |
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| March. 220 | New Vets
March. 8 |
| April. 228 | April. 1 |

Applications:

March.99

April. 103

4. Homeless Veterans:

March.9

April.9



**COMBINED: LEGISLATIVE MEMORANDUM,
CERTIFICATE OF AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS
AND RESOLUTION COVER MEMO**

To: Veterans Committee

Fr: Joshua Potosek, County Manager

Re: Calling for Support of NYS Senate Bill S 8210

Date: June 7, 2018

Purpose of Resolution:

Calling For Support of New York State Senate Bill S 8210 Requesting the State Director of Veterans' Service Agency Increase Payment of Allocated Funds for Local Veterans' Service Agencies, Including Cayuga County Veteran Services Agency.

Is subject of Resolution mandated? Explain:
No

Does Resolution require expenditure of funds? No

If "Yes", provide the following information

Amount to be authorized by Resolution:

Are funds already budgeted?

If "Yes" specify appropriation code(s):

If "No", specify proposed source of funds:

Estimated Cost Breakdown by Source

County:	Grant(s):
State:	Other:
Federal Government:	(Specify):

Specify Compliance with Procurement Procedures:

N/A

Person(s) responsible for monitoring contract (Title): Joshua Potosek County Manager

**CALLING FOR SUPPORT OF NEW YORK STATE SENATE BILL S 8210
REQUESTING THE STATE DIRECTOR OF VETERANS' SERVICE AGENCY
INCREASE PAYMENT OF ALLOCATED FUNDS FOR LOCAL VETERANS'
SERVICE AGENCIES, INCLUDING SULLIVAN COUNTY VETERAN SERVICES
AGENCY.**

WHEREAS, currently New York State Director of Veterans' Service Agency, in conjunction with the Commissioner of Veterans Affairs, makes annual payments to Sullivan County Veterans Service Agency in the amount equal to fifty per centum of maintenance and operation of the county veterans' service agency totaling \$8,529 annually; and

WHEREAS, the New York State Senate Bill S 8210 is requesting an amendment to Subdivision 1 of Section 359 of the Executive Law, as amended by Chapter 196 of the Laws of 2009, be further amended; and

WHEREAS, Senate Bill S 8210 would remove the restriction of fifty per centum of expenditures for maintenance and operation of the County Veterans Service Agency in counties like Sullivan and would cap the allotment at \$20,000.00 for similarly situated counties; and

WHEREAS by lifting this restriction additional funds would be made available to the Sullivan County Veterans Service Agency and to other veterans' services agencies throughout the State of New York; and

WHEREAS, although this would not cover all expenses, an increase would assist in expenditures for maintenance and operation, thereby providing further services to Sullivan County Veterans.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Sullivan County Legislature fully support New York State Senate Bill S 8210 and urges the New York State Senate, New York State Assembly, and the Governor to support the amendment to Section 359 of the Executive Law; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Clerk to the Sullivan County Legislature is hereby authorized to forward copies of this resolution to Governor Andrew Cuomo, Senator John J. Bonacic, Assemblywoman Aileen Gunter, Assemblyman Brian Miller, the New York State Association of Counties, and any other party deemed necessary and proper.