

NCVO MEETING
November 16, 2025 10:00 a.m.
ATCEN/DA



- I. Call to Order 10:17
- II. Pledge of Allegiance
- III. Review / Adopt Agenda
- IV. Reading / Approval of last mtg minutes
- V. Reports
 - A. Local
 - B. Agency
 - C. Financial
- VI. Unfinished Business
 - A. Post of Purple Heart Signs
- VII. New Business
 - A. Community Giving / Veteran Appreciation event.
- VIII. Fund Raising - Shree Game.
- IX. Next mtg Dec 21, 2025
Adjournment



NAZLINI CHAPTER VETERANS ORGANIZATION

Commander: Dennis Dedman

Vice Commander: Elciena Baker

Secretary: Fannie Dedman

Sunday, November 16, 2025 at 1000 Hrs
At Nazlini Chapter House, Nazlini, AZ

MINUTES



I. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

A: COMMANDER: Dennis Dedman called meeting to order at 1017 Hrs.

II. Pledge of Allegiance-Completed

III. REVIEW AND ADOPT AGENDA

MOTION by Jefferson Gorman SECOND: Johnson Claw

Vote Yeas: 17 Nays: 0 Abstained: 1

IV. READ AND APPROVE LAST MEETING MINUTES (10/02/2025)

MOTION to Defer Last Minute Minutes due to Secretary Absence by Jefferson Gorman

SECOND: Larry Benally

Vote Yeas: 17 Nays: 0 Abstained: 1

V. REPORTS

a. Commander Dennis Dedman

1. Local update; NZVO Veteran Count is still fluctuating, according to last year's registrations there are 50 veterans but 57 veterans have applied for financial assistance for the current FY.
2. Agency Meeting updates: Report from NNVA included Veteran Registration statuses; as of October 31st, NZVO has 28 veterans with updated registration; 13 not updated, 7 new registrations. Surviving Spouses; 6 registrations updated, 4 not updated. Current NZVO Veteran Count 26 male veterans, 15 female veterans, 9 Surviving Spouses (conflicts with other Veteran Count provided by NNVA).
3. FY 2026 Allocation breakdown provided for newly registered veterans. Energy \$279, Hardship \$279, Self-Help \$1,000.
4. Veteran Housing Summary: NZVO 3 new construction applications, 1 home renovation application, 2 Surviving Spouses housing applications.

ACCEPT REPORT:

MOTION: Alexander Dedman SECOND: Johnson Claw

Vote Yeas: 17 Nays: 0 Abstained: 1

VI. Unfinished Business

a. Posting of Purple Heart Community Signs

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- a. CDR Dedman suggested alternate sign base, metal stake type in lieu of cement base.
- b. Reason for posting signs urgency due to NNVA interest in making Navajo Nation a whole Purple Heart Community.
- c. Johnson Claw provided update on Chapter House delay in assisting with posting signs, reason is lack of funding for P&P staff. FY 2026 funding yet to be received by Chapter House.
- d. Consensus for NZVO Veterans to install signs on November 23, 2025, meet at 0900 Hrs at Chapter House.
- e. Comment: Coordination of VA Healthcare difficult, even VA refers Veterans back to IHS. CDR Dedman requested NNVA assist with representative to explain VA Healthcare and benefits at upcoming Thanksgiving Lunch on November 23rd. Also an opportunity for Veterans to express concerns and ask questions about VA Healthcare.

VII. New Business

- a. Community Thanksgiving/Veterans Appreciation Event
 - a. Update, Veterans Appreciation tokens/gifts delivered, tumblers. Veterans Thanksgiving lunch taking place on November 23, 2025 at 1300 Hrs, provided by Chapter House.
- b. Fundraising/Shoe Game
 - a. John Begay comment: suggest Fundraising monies go to purchasing an updated NZVO Veterans Listing Plaque with deceased Veterans and new Veteran members. POC David Martinez, price quote needed. Maybe some difficulty to obtain Veteran names from NNVA due to privacy guidelines.
 - b. Event agreed and date set for December 6, 2025 at Nazlini Chapter House. Concession items will be Navajo Tacos, snacks, and drinks.

MOTION to confirm Event Date by John Begay SECOND: Elbert Woody
Vote Yeas: 14 Nays: 0 Abstained: 1

VIII. Next Meeting- Sunday, December 21, 2025; Nazlini Chapter House, 1300 Hrs

IX. Adjournment at 11:56 a.m. Majority Vote to Adjourn.

Meeting Minutes Submitted by NZVO VCDR Elciena Baker on November 17, 2025.

