

Teesto Veterans Meeting Minutes
Teesto Stone Meeting Hall
January 11, 2026



- I. Call meeting to order
Roll Call: all officers are present; six veterans and two spouses.
Invocation by Gilbert Gishie
- II. Adopting agenda
Motion: Carlotta Sonnier
Second: Lyle Thomas
Vote: 7 in favor, 0 opposed, and 3 abstentions.
- III. Accepting previous meeting minutes December 9, 2025
Motion: Roland Bernal
Second: David Chee
Vote: 7 in favor, 0 opposed, and 3 abstentions.
Comment: Roland appreciated the next meeting date set for meeting.
- IV. Announcement including reports
 - a. TVO Commander: chapter funds there is a balance.
NNVA funds unknown.
Readopt the policy of attending meetings requirements. SOP to fix our problems. Create TVO re-enrollment form. Ask to see if policy can be rewritten to reflect certain requests.
Identify the needs for veterans.
Invite Fallon to attend meeting along with Housing Specialist.
Teesto Planning Committee member: how much land is appropriate for each community member.
Select cemetery location (about 20 acres), and convenient store (business site).
Need a heavy equipment operator to operate two machineries for chapter.
 - b. TVO Vice Commander clarifies Financial Assistance amount. Last month's meeting topic regarding TVO sign was assigned to him which is commented below. He has a flag to bring for outside use on flagpole and a wall clock. He purchased banners which are display on wall.
 - c. TVO Secretary/Treasurer: no report.
 - d. Other TVO members
- V. Old business items:
 - a. TVO fund balance: unknown
 - b. TVO metal sign: Contact original artist to draw a sign and was too busy. Contact another artist, James Cody, to create a sign and draw a silhouette. He quoted cost of \$350.00 for metal sheet. He will meet with him on Tuesday, January 13, 2026.
 - c. Military equipment for display: Small equipment is available and can be picked up. Location must be secure to display equipment that is not too large.
 - d. T-Shirts design with paint on solid color, 20-50 cotton t-shirts will last longer, costs \$300.00+. Iron-on images do not last long. The wording may need to be separated; the

word Teesto on top and Veterans Organization at the bottom. Create a banner to display date and time of TVO meeting.

VI. New business items:

- a. Community cemetery: TVO will let community decide on cemetery location. Winslow Tract requires other chapters (Birdsprings, Dilkon, & Indian Wells) to be involve.
- b. TVO equipment: request chapter to purchase the laptop, printer, internet (portable), telecom speaker, projector and printer paper.

VII. Other/Questions

- a. David Begay, Sr.: applied for financial assistance in October 2025 and never received his check. He filled out another form to locate the check and emailed NNVA.
- b. No financial assistance has been processed for additional TVO veterans.

VIII. Next meeting date February 8, 2026 @ 1:00 PM

IX. Adjournment

Motion: David Chee

Second: Carlotta Sonnier

Vote: 6 in favor, 0 opposed, and 3 abstentions.