

York Maine Committee for Veterans Affairs
Meeting Minutes
6pm, Tuesday September 23 2025
York Police Department

1. Members present; Tom Spencer, Jimmy Carabello, Wade Fox, Don LeFante, John Milburn, Roger Noel, Lew DiTommaso. YPD Scott Study. ALTRUSA Members Judith Goldstein, Linda Gately & Carole Intoccia. Absent Bryan McGlaughlin.
2. Call To Order 6:03pm. Tom motioned to begin the meeting. A quorum of 6 members was established.
3. Minutes of 8/26/2025 meeting reviewed. Tom motioned to approve the minutes. Don seconded. Motion approved 6-0.
4. Sticker Update; Scott Study. The cost to print (150) 4" glossy decals would be \$230. The cost to print (100) 3" non-glossy decals would be \$100. Wade motioned to approve ordering (150) 4" glossy decals at a cost of \$230. Jimmy seconded. The motion was approved 6-0.
5. Treasurers Report; Don LeFante. The 2025-2026 CVA budget has been set at \$15,500.
6. Maggie Cantanese, Executive Director of Vet-To-Vet Maine, a Peer Companion Program for Maine veterans, presented key benefits of the program to the CVA. The committee will be determining how to best utilize the program to serve York's Veterans.
7. PNSSY & US North Dakota, Wade Fox. See notes.

8. National Defense Monument (NDM) Update; Tom Spencer. Tom met with Todd Fredericks. There remains division within the Board of Selectmen as to placement of the NDM. Tom is suggesting that he will meet with individual members one at a time to learn more about the obstacles moving forward. Apparently, the biggest contention is seeing the NDM set in an upright position. The CVA has a solution that's been documented during past meetings. It simply involves laying the NDM down in a 90-degree angle, supported by granite. TBC.
9. Trunk or Treat. Alan will once again be working the event on 10/24/2025 at the old YPD building in Short Sands.
10. Veterans Day. The annual veterans Day Breakfast will once again be held at Norma's Restaurant on route 1. Time will be from 6am to 11am. This event will be limited to York Veterans and spouse/caregiver only. Wade will contact the Sentinel for some publicity.
11. Christmas Festival at Fosters; The CVA will once again participate in the event. Don motioned to approve our participation with Jimmy seconding. Motion approved 6-0.
12. AL/VFW, Wade Fox and Jimmy Carabello. The AL continues to hold the Friday night Fish Frys. The VFW will be having an NFL Game Day Bucket Meal during the season. Octoberfest/Cow Patty Flop event will be held on 10/25/24 from 1pm-6pm.
13. Tom motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:54pm. Jimmy seconded. Motion approved 6-0. Next CVA meeting will be on 10/