



Blount County Government

359 Court Street
Maryville, TN 37804-5906

Agenda - Final

Veterans Affairs Committee

Robin Ferschke, Gold Star Mother
Larry Grant, American Legion Post 13
Lloyd Hansen, VFW Post 5154
Frank Kusiowski, Jr., AMVETS Post 22
Steve Mikels, County Commissioner
Cye Miles, VFW Post 10855
Samuel "Ed" Shore, Military Order of Purple Heart Ch. 1814
Jene Thompson, Disabled American Veterans Ch. 76
Denise Weston, At Large Member

Wednesday, July 8, 2026

4:30 PM

Blount County Courthouse, Room 315

Pledge of Allegiance

Opening Prayer

ROLL CALL

A. SETTING OF AGENDA.

B. PUBLIC INPUT ON AGENDA ITEMS.

C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES.

1. April 8, 2026 meeting.

D. HIGHLIGHTS.

1. Honor Air Knoxville Flight #38.
2. Vietnam Veterans Annual Reunion 1/8, 4th Infantry Division in Townsend.
3. United Veterans of Blount County Memorial Day Program.
4. DAR Patriot Marker Reveal & Liberty Tree Dedication.

E. OLD BUSINESS.

1. VA Outpatient Clinic Coming to Maryville in 2027.

2. Veterans Committee Members Reappointment Dates and Requirements.

F. NEW BUSINESS.

- 1. Governor Lee Signs Legislation Expanding Eligibility Interment in TN State Veterans Cemeteries.**
- 2. The Take Care of America's Veterans Act (Sleep Apnea and Tinnitus).**
- 3. 2027 VA COLA Projected Increase.**
- 4. Tennessee Veterans Connect.**
- 5. Tennessee Department of Veterans Affairs Regional Director, Gabriel Burns, Visits Blount County Veterans Affairs Office.**

G. PUBLIC INPUT ON ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA.

Closing Prayer

Retire the Colors

H. ADJOURNMENT.