

WESTLAKE

VETERANS

CLUB

BYLAWS

# ARTICLE 1

## Name

The name of this group shall be "Westlake Veterans Club"

# ARTICLE 2

## Mission Statement

The mission of the Westlake Veterans Club will be to engage military veterans and supporters in cultivating fellowship, creating missions and opportunities that support military veterans and undertake support for community events which honor veterans and military service.

Future reference to this organization will be known as "WVC"

# ARTICLE 3

## Membership

Section 1 -- All veterans residing at Westlake are eligible to become members

Section 2 -- Associate members to include Westlake non-veterans, spouses of veterans,  
widows and widowers of Westlake veterans

Section 3 -- Associate members shall have all privileges except for holding office.

Section 4 -- Dues will be collected yearly from all members to the sum of \$25 and will  
commence on the first official meeting of the club.

# ARTICLE 4

## Officers

Section 1 -- Officers and duties. The officers of the WVC shall be a President, a Vice President,  
a Recording Secretary/ Corresponding Secretary, a Treasurer and Assistant Treasurer.

These officers shall perform the duties prescribed by parliamentary authority adopted by  
club

Section 2 -- All veteran members shall be eligible to be elected to hold office

Section 3 -- Ballot Election, Term of Office. The officers shall be elected by ballot to serve for 2 years and  
their term of office shall begin at the close of the meeting at which they are elected.

Officers may serve more than 2 years if duly elected.

Section 4 -- No member shall hold more than one office at a time.

Section 5 -- Officers elected to this club shall receive no compensation.

# ARTICLE 5

## Meetings

Section 1 -- Regular Meetings. The regular meeting of the Veterans Club shall be held on the 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of the month.

Section 2 -- Board Meetings. Meetings will be held as determined by the board.

Section 3 -- Annual Meetings. Election of officers, receiving reports of officers and committees and for any other business that may arise.

Section 4 - Quorum. A quorum for the meeting shall consist of at least 25% of the active membership in attendance.

Section 5 -- Voting -- All issues to be voted on shall be decided by a simple majority of those present at the meeting in which the vote takes place.

Section 6 -- The Fiscal year shall be from July 1 Thru June 30.

# ARTICLE 6

## Committees

Section 1 -- Finance Committee. A Finance Committee composed of the Treasurer, Assistant Treasurer and 3 other members shall be appointed by the President after each annual meeting. It shall be the duty of this committee to prepare a budget for the fiscal year, and to submit it to the Club at a regular meeting. The Finance Committee may from time to time submit amendments to the budget for the current fiscal year, which may be adopted by a majority vote.

Section 2 -- Nominating Committee to be established.

Section 3 -- Standing Committees to be established

## ARTICLE 7

### Parliamentary Authority

The rules contained in the current edition of Robert's Rules of Order shall govern the WVC in all cases to which they are applicable and in which they are not inconsistent with these bylaws and any special rules the Club may adopt

## ARTICLE 8

### Amendments to Bylaws

Section 1 -- These bylaws may be amended by the board and approved at any regular meeting

By a 51% vote of the WVC eligible membership in attendance.

# Article 9

## General

Section 1 – No part of net earnings of the Westlake Veterans Club (WVC) shall inure to the benefit of any private shareholder or individual.

Section 2 - No substantial part of the activities of the organization is carrying on propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and the organization does not participate in, or intervene in (including the publishing or distribution of statements), any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office.

Section 3 - Upon dissolution of the Westlake Veterans Club (WVC), the board of trustees shall, after paying or making provisions for the payment of all the liabilities of the WVC, dispose of the WVC exclusively for one or more exempt purposes, within the meaning of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue code of 1954 (or the corresponding provision of any future Federal Tax Code), or shall distribute the same to the Federal Government, or to a state or local Government for a public purpose. Any such assets not so disposed of shall be disposed of by order of Superior Court of the State of (New Jersey) in the judicial district where the principal office if the WVC is then located, exclusively for such purpose or to such organization organized and operated exclusively for such purposes as said court shall determine.