

DeKalb County Veterans Assistance Commission Meeting Minutes

May 9, 2016

Community Outreach Building

Meeting started at 7:02 with President Jim Cox presiding and Frank Beierlotzer leading us in the pledge of allegiance.

Board members: President Jim Cox, Vice- President Tim Timmer, Treasurer John Davis, and Secretary Steven Kreitzer were present.

Employees: Tammy Anderson, Steven Kreitzer, Luz Gilkey, Linda Drake, Renee McGuan and Jill Peacock were present

Meeting Minutes:

Donald Jones made the motion that the April minutes be approved and it was seconded by Bob Bend. Motion passed unanimously.

Treasurers Report:

There is \$5,313.30 currently in the checking account. Donald Jones made the motion to accept the Treasurer's report and it was seconded by Robert Coulter. Motion passed unanimously.

Public Comment:

None

For the Good of the Commission

None

Superintendent's Report:

Tammy Anderson reported that last month, the Commission helped 17 Veterans and their families with shelter. There were 25 Veterans transported in 20 trips to VA Hospitals. The Commission helped Veterans collect \$15,808.65 in monthly benefits and \$43,314.94 in retroactive benefits. Randy Smith made the motion to accept the report and pay the bills of \$29,426.59 Donald Jones seconded it. A roll call vote was taken and motion passed unanimously.

Committee Reports:

Frank Beierlotzer reported on community happenings and provided a handout.

Luz Gilkey – Stated that the MMU was still going good and to keep up the good work on advertising.

Old Business:

- a. Veterans ID Card Act – No Change and to be implemented in 2017

New Business:

- a. Steven Kreitzer and Renee McGuan brought up that they are organizing to bring "The Wall That Heals" back to Sycamore. It is the 20th anniversary of the 1st time and 10th anniversary of the 2nd appearance. They will be conducting a planning meeting on Monday June 6, 2016 at 7 pm. The meeting will be held at 2500 N. Annie Glidden Rd Suite A. DeKalb, IL 60115.
- b. Frank Beierlotzer brought up that he is organizing a meet and greet to go visit with Veterans in local nursing homes. Many of the Veterans in nursing homes have no visitors so this is a way to make sure that there are people who care and are willing to spend time with them. If interested in joining Frank contact him at ffb66@juno.com or 815-758-5788.
- c. Renee McGuan asked if the office could redecorate and remove the painting from the wall. A photo has been taken and will be on display, but there is pertinent information the office needs to have available for clients and has no room. Tammy Anderson also brought up that clients bring in military artwork that would be nice to display, but currently there is no place to put it. There was much discussion as to whether to keep the painting or not. Frank Beierlotzer made a motion to give the office permission to redecorate and it was seconded by Donald Jones. The motion passed with 8 yeses and 2 no's.
- d. Donald Jones thought it was a good idea to notify the commission when George Murphy passed. As he was on the commission for a number of years he thought it would be a good idea to do that for any future commission member that passes. Everyone agreed that this was a good idea and would happen in the future.
- e. Randy Smith had some questions on the top of the Superintendent Report as it was hard for someone to understand what the numbers truly meant. There was much discussion and Tammy Anderson stated that she would make some changes to improve the clarity.

Adjourn

Motion by Gene Ege to adjourn the meeting and seconded by Donald Jones with no discussion

Meeting closed at 7:40 PM

Respectfully Submitted - Steven Kreitzer - Secretary



**DEKALB COUNTY VETERANS ASSISTANCE COMMISSION
REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF APRIL 2016
STATE OF THE BUDGET**



VA COUNSELING

	Quantity
Office	64
Outstation	7
Phone	79
VA Pension	6
VA Education	10
VA Healthcare	16
VA Compensation	53
VA Other	120

VA AWARDANCE

	Monthly	Retro	Total Amount
This Month	\$15,808.65	\$43,314.94	\$59,123.59
To Date	\$42,064.46	\$236,537.80	\$278,602.26

EXPENDITURES

Direct Assistance to Veteran (Itemized Below)	\$6,331.00
Vehicle Expenses (Itemized Below)	\$180.34
Salaries & Benefits	\$21,844.12
Training & Meetings	\$151.28
Office Expenses	\$414.75
Public Relations	\$505.10
Total	\$29,426.59

DIRECT ASSISTANCE TO VETERAN

	Number Assisted	Amount
Shelter	17	\$5,935.00
Other	0	\$0.00
Drivers Per Diem		\$396.00
Total	17	\$6,331.00

VEHICLE EXPENSES

	Quantity	Amount
Trips	20	
Transported	25	
Miles	3467	
Fuel (gallon)	139.80	
Fuel Cost		\$180.34
Maintenance		\$0.00
Total		\$180.34

SUMMARY

	Percentage of Budget	Amount
BUDGET	100%	\$505,300.00
PREVIOUS EXPENDITURES	-19%	-\$93,538.64
EXPEDITURES	-5%	-\$29,426.59
BALANCE	76%	\$382,334.77

Restricted Fund Balance **\$536,273.94**



DeKalb County Veterans Assistance Commission
Report for the month of April 2016
Veterans Assistance / Transportation



Towns	Shelter		Transportation
	Amount	# of Vets	# of Vets
Cortland			
DeKalb	\$ 3,835.00	11	13
Fairdale			
Genoa			2
Hinckley			
Kingston			1
Kirkland			
Lee			1
Malta			
Sandwich			
Shabbona	\$ 700.00	2	
Somonauk	\$ 350.00	1	
Sycamore	\$ 1,050.00	3	8
Waterman			
Total	\$ 5,935.00	17	25



DeKalb County Veterans Organizations

Voting Monday May 9, 2016

		Superintendents Report				
Veterans of Foreign Wars						
Post #1486 Sandwich	D: Chuck Fish	Y				
	A: Todd Latham					
Post# 2287 DeKalb	D: Travis Petrie					
	A: Michael J. Henning					
Post #5768 Sycamore	D: Stephen Walz					
	A: Steve Kreitzer					
Post #8387 Genoa	D: Don Anderson					
	A:					
DeKalb County VietNow						
DeKalb County VietNow	D: John Davis	Y				
	A:					
American Legion						
Post #66 DeKalb	D:Randy Smith	Y				
	A:Dan Gallagher					
Post #99 Sycamore	D:Gene Ege	Y				
	A:Tim Timmer					
Post #181 Sandwich	D: Celeste Latham	Y				
	A: Rick Felstead					
Post #337 Genoa	D: Rich Joslin					
	A: Herb Holderman	Y				
Post #598 Hinckley	D:					
	A:					
Post #654 Waterman	D. Robert Bend	Y				
	A: James Cox					
Post # 772 Somonauk	D:Roger Wiley					
	A:					
Post #1010 Kingston	D: Dan Gallagher					
	A:					
40 et 8 Voiture 207						
40 et 8 Voiture 207	D: Robert Coulter	Y				
	A: Frank Beierlotzer					
Warne Corps League						
Detachment #847 DeKalb County	D: Donald Jones	Y				
	A: Joe Chavez					
AmVets Post #90 DeKalb						
AmVets Post #90 DeKalb	D:Dan Bocklund					
	A:Mike Boorsma	Y				