

DeKalb County Veterans Assistance Commission

American Legion Posts 66, 99, 181, 337, 598, 654, 772, 1010
AmVets Post 90
DeKalb County VietNow
Marine Corps League Detachment 847
Veterans of Foreign Wars Posts 1486, 2287, 5768 and 8387
40 et 8 Voiture 207



President - Bob Bend, Vice-President Celeste Latham, Secretary Luz Maria Gilkey, Treasurer John Davis

DeKalb County Veterans Assistance Commission

Meeting Agenda for

April 9, 2018

Meetings start at 7:00 pm

- I. Call to Order
- II. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag
- III. Roll Call of Delegates & Alternates
- IV. Public Comment
- V. Reading & Approval of the March 2018 Meeting Minutes
- VI. Treasurers' Report
- VII. Superintendent's Report
 - a. Approval of Expenses
- VIII. Committee Reports
- IX. Old Business
- X. New Business
- XI. For the Good of the Commission
- XII. Adjournment

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DEKALB COUNTY VETERANS ASSISTANCE COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

March 12 2018

COMMUNITY OUTREACH BUILDING

Meeting started at 7:03 pm with President Bob Bend presiding. Bob Bend led us in the pledge of allegiance.

Board Members Present: President Bob Bend, Vice-President Celeste Latham and Secretary Luz Maria Gilkey were present.

Employees Present: Tammy Anderson, Luz Maria Gilkey, Tim Stubinger, Cindy Childress and Linda Drake

New In Attendance: Brian Berchtold Alternate for American Legion Post #66 DeKalb.

Public Comment: None

Meeting Minutes: February 5, 2018 minutes were reviewed. Steve Walz had a correct to VFW Post 5386 be corrected to 5768. Motion was made by Steve Walz to approve after correction is made, Seconded by Jim Cox. Motion passed unanimously.

Treasurers Report: Treasurer was not present. Three checks were received from AmVets Post 90, American Legion Post #337 and 40 and 8 Vulture No 204.

Superintendents' Report: Tammy Anderson stated that we are working on different ways to present the report to better show our workload. Our workload increased the end of February and beginning of March because of property tax exemption verifications. Tammy reported that last month the Commission helped 15 Veterans and their families with shelter. There were 25 Veterans transported on 21 trips to the VA facilities. There were 131 Hours donated, 3,709 miles driven and 146.4 gallons of fuel used. The Commission collected \$30,828.00 monthly benefits for Veterans and \$21,136.00, in retro payments for Veterans as well. Year to Date total about \$184,668.00. Due to a glitch in County's computer program is off by \$400.00 should be \$5895.00 we have \$5,495.00. Per Diem was not paid last month for the Drivers due to an error, next month will reflect 2 months. The February Expenses totaled \$44,517.86. Motion was made by Jim Cox to pay monthly bills. Seconded by Chuck Fish. The motion passed unanimously by roll call vote.

Don Anderson requested a change on the report, to place Monthly, Retro & Total on left column and Year-to-date totals on the right side column. Tammy Anderson, confirmed with Cindy Childress who types report make sure she understood change and it will be updated.

Committee Report: Frank Beierlotzer provided a handout concerning Memorial Day Activities. He would like to invite or ask Veteran groups and or Mayor/Village President to be a guest speaker at the Mayor's breakfast. Items listed will be printed have been sent to Neighborhood Tourist Magazine see if they will do an article of DeKalb County and what we do on Memorial Day activities. Not sure if it will be printed but it has been sent.

Old Business: Tammy Anderson reported we had Changes to the Directors portion of the By-Laws. She read the changes added:

Under E. DIRECTORS – Two (2) members shall be elected as Directors for 2 year alternating terms.

1. The Directors, along with Board Officers, will act as a Liaison between the Organizations, the Executive Board and if needed, the County Board.
2. The Directors will work together with the Board Officers and the Superintendent to make decisions that are in the best interest of the Commission.

Motion was made by Jim Cox for changes to DIRECTORS By-Laws. Seconded by Chuck Fish. General Motion passed unanimously

Under 2.22

Public Comments will be allotted up to three (3) minutes to address the Board. A person wishing to speak should wait for the Board to recognize them. The person will state their name and association for the records. The Board will allow up to 30 minutes total for all public comments.

Motion was made by Chuck Fish for changes to DIRECTORS By-Laws. Seconded by Steve Walz. General Motion passed unanimously

Under 3.40 APPOINTMENTS

3.41 will be discussed at next meeting

Frank Beierlotzer wanted to know if we had any new information on PTELL (Property Tax Extension Limitation Law). Tammy Anderson explained that The County came back with one decision, but we are still working with them on additional information. PTELL was never discussed at the time of the Referendum. Approximately half of the Illinois VAC's are under Levy's and some of those are under PTELL. Illinois Association of Counties Veteran Service Officer's (IACVAC) are working on establishing a policy for all VACs in regards to continuity of Policies & Funding.

Our County has been under the PTELL since 1999. Our petition does not state specifically if under PTELL or not and that is what Tammy Anderson is working on.

General funds play a part in what every department gets regardless of what % we have. If the County ends up short, we all have a lower %.

Tammy is working with the County Recorder Doug Johnson, an Army Veteran, to work through this situation. She has asked the County for any documents showing we are under PTELL. Tammy is going through County Minutes, Resolutions, Executive Meetings and Budgets since 2005. We have also contacted an Attorney we have used before, Buick & Foster Law.

If we go under non-PTELL the grandfather in of the 4mil goes away. We would be under the 3mil currently is our maximum of 4mil.

We have no documentation on the purchase of the suite. We were originally under the impression we owned the suite. But we are finding out that it might be only 99 years.

New Business: Tammy Anderson requested the Organizations let us know their schedules so we can post them on our website & when we get it established, Facebook. Examples are: a list of all organizations, the day & time meetings are held, breakfast dates & times, special events, etc.

Luz Maria Gilkey still needs the paperwork for Delegate's and Alternate's from some of the Organizations. Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) & Open Meeting Act (OMA) must be completed by new board members and any new members.

Good of the Commission: April 9th is the next meeting and Luz Maria Gilkey will send out reminders.

Gene Ege & Linda Drake mentioned all you can eat Corn Beef & Cabbage for \$10, Friday March 16, 2018 from 5 to 7pm at the Sycamore Veterans Club. A special appearance at 6pm Pipes & Drums will be playing all five Military Branch songs. All funds raised will go to the children's Christmas activity.

Sycamore Veterans Club Pork Chop Dinner will be in April.

Being no further business, Steve Walz made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Don Jones at 7:44pm.

Respectfully Submitted Luz Maria Gilkey Secretary



DEKALB COUNTY VETERANS ASSISTANCE COMMISSION
REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY 2018
STATE OF THE BUDGET



VA COUNSELING

| Communication | Quantity | YTD |
|-------------------------------|-----------|------------|
| Phone | 222 | 587 |
| Office | 125 | 274 |
| Outreach/Home Visits | 3 | 6 |
| Email/Mail | 54 | 129 |
| Fax | 33 | 78 |
| Other/Forms | <u>70</u> | <u>155</u> |
| Total Employee Communications | 507 | 1229 |
| Total Employee Activity | 953 | 2183 |

VA AWARDANCE

| | Monthly | YTD |
|---------|--------------------|---------------------|
| Monthly | \$30,828.00 | \$77,350.00 |
| Retro | <u>\$21,136.00</u> | <u>\$107,318.00</u> |
| Total | \$51,964.00 | \$184,668.00 |

EXPENDITURES

| | Monthly | YTD |
|-------------------------------------|------------------------|-------------|
| Salaries & Benefits | \$27,038.53 | \$54,082.56 |
| Training & Meetings | \$4,998.99 | \$4,998.99 |
| Office Expenses | \$2,715.10 | \$2,835.10 |
| Building Space/Maintenance | \$0.00 | \$0.00 |
| Direct Assistance to Veteran | | |
| | Number Assisted | |
| Shelter | 15 | \$5,495.00 |
| Other | | \$0.00 |
| Drivers Per Diem | | \$0.00 |
| Vehicle Expenses | | |
| Fuel Cost | \$311.84 | \$311.84 |
| Maintenance | \$3,958.40 | \$3,958.40 |
| Totals | \$44,517.86 | \$77,576.89 |

Expense Description: The driver sheets were not turned in this month so the fuel cost, Drivers Per Diem and fuel gallons are off.

TRANSPORTATION LOGS

| | Quantity | YTD |
|---------------|----------|--------|
| Trips | 21 | 42 |
| Hours Donated | 131 | 278 |
| Transported | 25 | 56 |
| Miles | 3709 | 7576 |
| Fuel (gallon) | 146.40 | 146.40 |

SUMMARY

| | Percentage of Budget | Amount |
|--|----------------------|--------------|
| BUDGET | 100% | \$489,000.00 |
| PREVIOUS EXPENDITURES (Jan to Present) | -7% | -\$33,059.03 |
| EXPEDITURES | -9% | -\$44,517.86 |
| BALANCE | 84% | \$411,423.11 |

Restricted Fund Balance \$681,624.09



**DEKALB COUNTY VETERANS ASSISTANCE COMMISSION
REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF MARCH 2018
STATE OF THE BUDGET**



VA COUNSELING

| Communication | Quantity | YTD |
|-------------------------------|-----------|------------|
| Phone | 269 | 856 |
| Office | 137 | 411 |
| Outreach/Home Visits | 3 | 9 |
| Email/Mail | 97 | 226 |
| Fax | 36 | 114 |
| Other/Forms | <u>83</u> | <u>238</u> |
| Total Employee Communications | 625 | 1854 |
| Total Employee Activity | 953 | 3136 |

VA AWARDANCE

| | Monthly | YTD |
|---------------|--------------------|---------------------|
| Monthly Award | \$26,910.00 | \$104,260.00 |
| Retro | <u>\$14,734.00</u> | <u>\$122,052.00</u> |
| Total | \$41,644.00 | \$226,312.00 |

EXPENDITURES

| | Monthly | YTD |
|-------------------------------------|------------------------|--------------|
| Salaries & Benefits | \$27,934.23 | \$82,016.79 |
| Training & Meetings | -\$722.91 | \$4,276.08 |
| Office Expenses | \$365.06 | \$3,200.16 |
| Building Space/Maintenance | \$0.00 | \$0.00 |
| Direct Assistance to Veteran | | |
| | Number Assisted | |
| Shelter | 14 | \$5,445.00 |
| Other | | \$0.00 |
| Drivers Per Diem | | \$880.00 |
| Vehicle Expenses | | |
| Fuel Cost | \$347.45 | \$659.29 |
| Maintenance | -\$13.00 | \$3,945.40 |
| Totals | \$34,235.83 | \$111,812.72 |

Expense Description:

- 1) The amount of -\$722.91 is a travel reimbursement.
- 2) The amount of -\$13.00 is a insurance rebate.

TRANSPORTATION LOGS

| | Quantity | YTD |
|---------------|----------|--------|
| Trips | 22 | 64 |
| Hours Donated | 141 | 419 |
| Transported | 24 | 80 |
| Miles | 4036 | 11612 |
| Fuel (gallon) | 161.60 | 308.00 |

SUMMARY

| | Percentage of Budget | Amount |
|--|----------------------|--------------|
| BUDGET | 100% | \$489,000.00 |
| PREVIOUS EXPENDITURES (Jan to Present) | -16% | -\$77,576.89 |
| EXPEDITURES | -7% | -\$34,235.83 |
| BALANCE | 77% | \$377,187.28 |

Restricted Fund Balance \$681,624.09



DeKalb County Veterans Assistance Commission
Report for the month of March 2018
Veterans Assistance / Transportation



| Towns | Shelter | | Transportation |
|--------------|--------------------|-----------|----------------|
| | Amount | # of Vets | # of Vets |
| Cortland | | | 1 |
| DeKalb | \$ 3,045.00 | 8 | 15 |
| Fairdale | | | |
| Genoa | | | 1 |
| Hinckley | \$ 400.00 | 1 | |
| Kingston | | | 1 |
| Kirkland | | | 1 |
| Lee | | | |
| Malta | | | 1 |
| Sandwich | | | |
| Shabbona | \$ 400.00 | 1 | |
| Somonauk | \$ 400.00 | 1 | |
| Sycamore | \$ 1,200.00 | 3 | 4 |
| Waterman | | | |
| Total | \$ 5,445.00 | 14 | 24 |

List provided by: DeKalb County Forty and Eight, Voiture 207 of La Societe des Quarante Hommes et Huit Chevaux, Grande Voiture d' Illinois (02-15-2018)

2018 DeKalb County Area Memorial Day Related Activities:

Please let us know of any corrections needed. Email-ffb66@juno.com

Sun, May 20, 2:00pm, Memorial Service, South Grove Cemetery, W. Old State Rd.

Sat, May 26, 6:00pm, Memorial Weekend Steak Dinner \$15, Genoa Veterans Home

Sun, May 27, 1:00pm, Memorial Service, Kirkland

Sun, May 27, 3:00pm, Joiner Cemetery Memorial Service, west of Sycamore on West Old State Road just east of Five Points Rd.

Mon, May 28, 6:45am, Mayors' Memorial Day Breakfast, DeKalb, Illinois at the DeKalb Elk's Lodge No. 765, \$10.00 RSVP prepaid or \$15.00 pay at the Door. Contact Frank Beierlotzer, ffb66@juno.com for RSVP

Mon, May 28, 8:30am, Memorial Day Service, DeKalb Memorial Park

Mon, May 28, 9:00am, DeKalb Memorial Day Parade & Service

Mon, May 28, 9:00am, (4) Lee/Shabbona/Waterman area cemetery Memorial Services

Mon, May 28, 9:30am, Hinckley Memorial Day Service

Mon, May 28, 10:00am, Kingston Memorial Day Service

Mon, May 28, 10:00am, Sycamore Memorial Day Service, Parade & Service

Mon, May 28, 10:00am, Malta Memorial Day Service at the Methodist Church, Short Parade & Wreath Laying Service

Mon, May 28, 11:00am, Waterman Memorial Day Service

Mon, May 28, 11:00am, Sandwich Memorial Day Service

Mon, May 28, 11:30am, Genoa Memorial Day Parade

Mon, May 28, Noon, Genoa Memorial Day Service

Mon, May 28, 1:00pm, Genoa Memorial Day \$4 Buffet, Genoa Veterans Home

A special thank you to Alpha Battery of the 2/122nd Field Artillery Unit

The Dekalb County Veterans Assistance Commission is a county wide veterans support organization assisting all veterans. Contact them at 815-756-8129 or 2500 N. Annie Glidden Road, Suite A for assistance. You do not need to be a member of any veteran organization for them to assist you with your benefits.

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The **2018 MAYORS' MEMORIAL DAY BREAKFAST** will be on Monday, May 28, 2018 from 6:45am to 7:30am at the Elks DeKalb Lodge No. 765, 209 S. Annie Glidden Road, DeKalb, Illinois 60115.

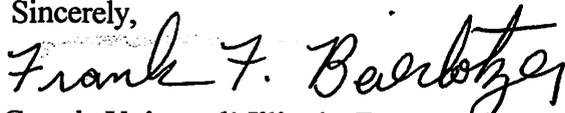
This will be our 28th consecutive breakfast on Memorial Day. We are changing the format slightly. We are asking all local communities, veteran organizations, Mayors and Village Presidents to invite their Memorial Day guest speakers to attend so that we can introduce the speakers during the short program.

At 7:15am a united prayer. At 7:30am a short program that will be done by 8:00am.

Past and current co-sponsors of the event are the Greater DeKalb Chamber of Commerce, Greater Sycamore Chamber of Commerce, Genoa Chamber of Commerce, Greater Kirkland Area Chamber of Commerce, Waterman Business Association, Sycamore Kiwanis Club, DeKalb County Marines, DeKalb County Chapter of VietNow, DeKalb City VFW, Genoa American Legion, DeKalb County Veterans Assistance Commission (DCVAC), DeKalb Lodge #144 Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, Northern Illinois Veterans Activities Committee (NIVAC), DeKalb County Forty and Eight Voiture 207, **Elks DeKalb Lodge No. 765**, DeKalb American Veterans (AMVETS) and Masonic Riders Assn. – Widows Sons – Knights Of Trye.

Past and current co-hosts of the event are Mayors and Village Presidents Bernard McMillan, Greg Sparrow, Gene Lawrence, Marvin Bernhardt, Patrick McCormick, Sandy Rempfer, Marcia Staniszewski, Kenneth Hetchler, Jim Edwards, Les Bellah, Jerry Olson, David Rood, Bessie Chronopolus, Ben Suppleland, John Swedberg, Todd Walker, Vince McCabe, Doug Scott, Roger Bosworth, Joseph Diedrich, Tom Thomas, Rick Dettman, Claudia Hicks, Ken Mundy, Frank Van Buer, Robert Seyller, Mike Becker, Clidea Lave, Ross Dueringer, Kris Povlsen, Richard Boris, Russ Stokes, John Rey, Mark Vicary, Rick Olson, Jerry Smith, Curt Lang, Darryl Beach and Ryan BlockSat, May 26, 6:00pm, Memorial Weekend Steak Dinner \$15, Genoa Veterans Home.

Sincerely,



POW*MIA
YOU ARE NOT
FORGOTTEN

Remembering veterans
on Memorial Day
and all year long.

Grande Voiture d' Illinois, Forty et Eight,
DeKalb County Voiture 207

Public Relations, Frank F. Beierlotzer,

E-mail ffb66@juno.com or Phone 815-758-5788

Please clip and return as soon as possible.

Title _____ Phone # _____

Name _____ E-mail _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Guest(s) Name(s) _____

I/we will be at the 2018 Mayors' Memorial Day Breakfast. (please circle one) yes or no # ()

\$10.00 RSVP & prepaid by check. Pay in advance to help with our planning. Check# _____ Amount _____

Otherwise, just show up and pay \$15.00 by check or cash.

Call for more information or just RSVP and prepay. (815-758-5788)

Checks payable to: Beierlotzer - 2018 Breakfast

Mail to: Beierlotzer, 1384 Omega Circle Drive, DeKalb, Illinois 60115

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