

DeKalb County Veterans Assistance Commission Meeting Minutes

April 10, 2017

Community Outreach Building

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

Board members: President Bob Bend, Vice- President Celeste Latham, Secretary Luz Maria Gilkey, and Treasurer John Davis were present.

Employees: Tammy Anderson, Luz Maria Gilkey, Linda Drake and Jill Peacock were present

New In Attendance: Tim Hughes Applied for the county seat district 2

Public Comment: None

Meeting Minutes:

Mike Boorsma made the motion for approval of the March minutes. Don Jones seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Treasurers Report:

There is \$4,563.30 currently in the checking account. Mike Boorsma made the motion to accept the Treasurer's report subject to audit. Don Jones seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Superintendent's Report:

Tammy Anderson reported that last month, the Commission helped 15 Veterans and their families with shelter. There were 22 Veterans transported in 16 trips to VA Hospitals. The Commission helped Veterans collect \$10,060.00 in monthly benefits and \$19,820.00 in retroactive benefits. Mike Boorsma made the motion to accept the report and pay the bills of \$34,593.50 subject to audit, Donald Jones, seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by roll call of votes.

Training is June 10-17, 2017 in San Diego CA

Committee Reports:

Frank Beierlotzer, our committee Chairman, provided us with a flyer of various functions. The coffee Meet-n-Greet with nursing home Veterans has been going very well, the next Meet-n-Greet is April 12 at 9:30am at Barb City Manor. See flyer for more details. Lincolnshire has expressed interest in this program and have been set up with a date later in the year. Additional community activities are listed on the reverse side of the provided flyer. May 29th Waterman memorial service will be held at 11am Lions Park, the same park as the little train.

Old Business:

Jill Peacock gave an update for The Wall That Heals. There was a paint night on March 25, 2017 at the Sycamore Veterans Club . This event raised \$1,020.00 towards the Wall that Heals. Frank Beierlotzer mentioned to go to the Wall That Heals website for additional information and sign up to be a volunteer. City of Sycamore gave \$2,000.00 from their tourism funds. Luz Maria Gilkey mentioned another painting fundraiser at the Elks Club in DeKalb Friday, May 12, 2017 with 6pm check in and 7 to 9:30pm painting. Don Anderson asked Tammy how the meeting with Congressman Hultgren & Mr. Turner went? Tammy Anderson replied It was a townhall meeting which we attended by invitation of the Kane County VAC. Congressman Hultgren stated that he is always willing to help Veterans. There is a new director at Hines, Dr. Braverman who also attended. She brought up a question to Mr. Turner, Chicago Regional Office Director: Why is it taking 3 years to review/rate a Notice of Disagreement (NOD)? Since director is so new to the Regional Office, is not educated on the status of NODs at the Chicago RO. A congressional inquiry has been established to explain and repair the length of time for NODs. We have received some good contacts at the Chicago Regional Office and Hines VAMC, which helps make it easier to help Veterans. All claims go to a national work que, which means any claim can be reviewed anywhere in the United States. We have monthly VSO calls with the Chicago Regional office, Hines VAMC and Madison VAMC. This helps us keep up to date on new information & keeping communication open.

New Business:

None

For the Good of the Commission

None

Adjourn

Motion by Steve Walz to adjourn, seconded by Mike Boorsma with no opposition.

Meeting closed at 7:24 PM

Respectfully Submitted – Luz Maria Gilkey – Secretary



**DEKALB COUNTY VETERANS ASSISTANCE COMMISSION
REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF APRIL 2017
STATE OF THE BUDGET**



VA COUNSELING

Communication	Quantity
Phone	148
Office	124
Outreach/Home Visits	5
Email/Mail	28
Fax	31
Other/Forms	377
Total Employee Communications	713

VA AWARDANCE

	Monthly	Retro	Total Amount
This Month	\$10,816.00	\$2,818.00	\$13,634.00
To Date	\$22,721.12	\$30,265.75	\$52,986.87

EXPENDITURES

Direct Assistance to Veteran (Itemized Below)	\$6,482.00
Vehicle Expenses (Itemized Below)	\$475.26
Salaries & Benefits	\$24,544.32
Training, Meetings, & Travel	-\$425.10
Office Expenses	\$1,492.34
Public Relations	-\$23.47
Total	\$32,545.35

DIRECT ASSISTANCE TO VETERAN

	Number Assisted	Amount
Shelter	15	\$5,995.00
Other		
Drivers Per Diem		\$487.00
Total	15	\$6,482.00

	Quantity	Amount
Trips	17	
Transported	22	
Miles	3000	
Fuel (gallon)	197	
Fuel Cost		\$370.36
Maintenance		\$104.90
Total		\$475.26

SUMMARY

	Percentage of Budget	Amount
BUDGET	100%	\$500,000.00
PREVIOUS EXPENDITURES	-14%	-\$72,481.89
EXPEDITURES	-7%	-\$32,545.35
BALANCE	79%	\$394,972.76

Restricted Fund Balance **\$619,300.79**



DeKalb County Veterans Assistance Commission
Report for the month of April 2017
Veterans Assistance / Transportation



Towns	Shelter		Transportation
	Amount	# of Vets	# of Vets
Cortland			2
DeKalb	\$ 3,195.00	8	8
Fairdale			
Genoa			6
Hinckley	\$ 400.00	1	1
Kingston			1
Kirkland			
Lee			
Malta			
Sandwich			
Shabbona	\$ 400.00	1	
Somonauk	\$ 400.00	1	
Sycamore	\$ 1,600.00	4	4
Waterman			
Total	\$ 5,995.00	15	22

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The **2017 MAYORS' MEMORIAL DAY BREAKFAST** will be on **Monday, May 29, 2017** from 6:45am to 7:30am at the Elks DeKalb Lodge No. 765, 209 S. Annie Glidden Road, DeKalb, Illinois 60115.

Our guest speaker this year is DeKalb County Sheriff Roger Scott who will speak at several locations. The breakfast gives everyone an opportunity to start the day together before they go off to their local communities for the other various ceremonies.

A united prayer at 7:15 a.m. At 7:30am there will be 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 and Rick Olson.

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 2017 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 - 2017 Breakfast

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

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The Veterans Coffee Meet and Greets, 9:30am

are a way for any and all veterans and others to meet on the 2nd Wednesday of each month. The host sites provide the coffee, lemonade and treats. The next host site is Wednesday, May 10th, Grand Victorian of Sycamore, 815-895-1900 and June 14th at Pine Acres Rehab and Living Center, DeKalb 815-758-8151.

Saturday, May 27, Memorial Weekend Steak Dinner

Hosted by the Genoa American Legion, 311 S. Washington St., Genoa, Illinois,
\$15.00 per person RSVP prepaid \$17 at the door. Contact 815-784-5967

Monday, May 29, 6:45am, The Mayors' Memorial Day Breakfast,

DeKalb, Illinois at DeKalb Elks Lodge 765, 209 S. Annie Glidden Road, \$10.00 RSVP prepaid, \$15.00 pay at the door. Contact Frank Beierlotzer, ffb66@juno.com to prepay.

Monday, May 29, 7:30am, staging for the Keynote Memorial Day Speaker Motorcycle/Motorcade Escort,

Kick Stands Up at 8:10am and leave at 8:15am. Starts at the DeKalb Elks Lodge 765 in DeKalb and goes to the Memorial Park in DeKalb, to the DeKalb Parade, to Malta and then to Genoa. We will be in 3 parades.

(DeKalb, Malta and Genoa) (Put an American Flag on your vehicle)

(2 wheelers, 3 wheelers, 4 wheelers and all wheelers welcome)

Wednesday, July 12th, Motorcycle/Motorcade to escort

THE WALL THAT HEALS, 10:00am from Yorkville to Sycamore, Illinois

(Staging (9:00am) will be at Rte 47 & Rte 71, Traveling from Yorkville thru Plano, Sandwich, Somonauk, Waterman, Dekalb & Sycamore)

July 13th-16th, 2017, Vietnam Veteran Memorial Wall

THE WALL THAT HEALS

East Sycamore Park, Sycamore, Illinois

10th Annual Veterans Weekend, Saturday, July 15th, 8:30am Motorcycle/Motorcade in DeKalb County Honoring our Senior Veterans and ending at **THE WALL THAT HEALS**

Please email ffb66@juno.com for more information or to be placed on the email list for future events. 2017MotorcycleRides.016



Paint, drink & be merry!
It's a creative twist on a fun night out.



**Come and support the Vietnam Traveling Memorial
Wall that is coming to Sycamore in July 2017**

Where: DeKalb Elks Lodge - 209 S. Annie Glidden, DeKalb

When: Friday, May 12th

Time: 6 pm check in, cash bar and appetizers
7 pm to paint *Lighthouse Breezes*

Cost: \$32



Grab a couple friends and join in on the fun!
Call Luz with questions 815-756-8129
Register at <http://tinyurl.com/kutn6s7>

DEKALB COUNTY VETERANS ASSISTANCE COMMISSION

Partnering with
Hines Community Outreach Team (HCOT)
Previously known as VA Hines Mobile Medical Unit (MMU)

Location:

Veterans of Foreign War Post#1486/American Legion Post#181

**713 S. Main St
Sandwich, IL 60548**

Tentative 2017 Dates:

Jan 19, Feb 16, Mar 16, Apr 20
May 18_{only DCVAC}, May 25, Jun 15, Jul 20, Aug 17
Sept 21, Oct 19, Nov 16, Dec 21
3rd Thursday of Every month

Time:

DCVAC -9:00am to 2:00pm, HCOT - 9:30am to 1:30pm

Sandwich location Map

Unless stated full team

HCOT:

RN – Registered Nurse

Eligibility Clerk

DCVAC

VSO

