DeKalb County Veterans Assistance Commission

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

President – Celeste Latham, Vice-President Chuck Fish, Secretary Luz Maria Gilkey, Treasurer Bob Coulter

DeKalb County Veterans Assistance Commission
Meeting Agenda for
July 8, 2019
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 June 2019 Meeting Minutes

VI. Treasurers' Report

VII. Superintendent's Report
- **a. Approval of Expenses**

VIII. Committee Reports
- **a. Outreach Report**

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

June 10, 2019

COMMUNITY OUTREACH BUILDING

Meeting started at 7:03 pm with President Celeste Latham presiding who led us in the pledge of allegiance.

Board Members Present: President Celeste Latham, Vice-President Chuck Fish, Secretary Luz Maria Gilkey and Treasurer Bob Coulter.

Employees Present: Tammy Anderson, Luz Maria Gilkey, Cindy Childress, Tim Stubinger and Anna Noel.

New In Attendance: None.

Public Comment: None.

Meeting Minutes: May 13, 2019 minutes were reviewed. Motion was made by Don Jones to accept, and seconded by Gene Ege - Motion passed unanimously.

Treasurers Report: Treasurer Bob Coulter reported that there is a balance of $5,258.30, no recent activity but still needs to deposit one check from the American Legion Post 99 for $25. Motion was made by James Cox to accept the Treasurer's report, seconded by Don Jones.

Superintendents' Report: The Commission helped 16 Veterans and their families with Shelter Assistance totaling $6,375.00. There were 43 Veterans transported on 30 trips to the VA Medical Centers, with the Drivers' donating 210 hours with 5278 miles driven. Monthly Retro amount of $201,696.00 was collected with $74,556.00 of monthly payments for Veterans. Total Employee Activity was approximately 1023 in actions. Fuel cost was $494.00. The April expenses totaled $43,721.21. Motion was made by Jim Cox to pay monthly bills - seconded by Don Jones. The motion passed unanimously by roll call vote.

Committee Report: Tim reported outreach in Sandwich is next week. Unsure of today's attendance here at the COB. The VA just release the Mission Act as of 06/06/2019. Mentioned Community Care for Veterans (how Veterans Receive Care) second to last flyer in packet see attached. VA is looking for Doctors' to be in their network – they would need to submit paperwork. Tammy stated to be careful when using emergency rooms or immediate care facilities – the VA decides whether it is life threatening or service related – there could be the possibility that you will be responsible for all charges. The Veteran should ask the doctor or facility if they are in VA's network. Frank B. asked where we provide rides to – Tammy stated to the VAMCs but going to a local Clinic is handled on a case by case basis.

Reimbursement for travel from the VA is if you are 30% or more VA Service-Connected Disabled or if you have an appointment for your Service-Connected Disability to any VA Medical Centers or Clinics. The disability has to be connected through the VA and not DOD. At the Rockford CBOC, you can make the request at the kiosk and in Madison at the travel office. You can also keep track of appointments with-in 30days and submit all at once.

Frank Beierlotzer reported DeKalb Elks Lodge was having a Veteran Appreciation Dinner. Veterans and spouses or significant other are welcomed to come. It will be free and the RSVP deadline has passed but you can call to check on space availability. He also mentioned to review the last page in packet, both side for activities in the community.

Old Business: 2019 By-Laws books where distributed

New Business: Tammy mentioned NACVSO Training in Cleveland last week. As of last Wednesday (06/05/19) the VA will begin to process Blue Water Navy Veterans as In-Country Vietnam Veterans. We will hopefully see more claims for these Veterans. The VA has not explained why they came up with 12miles.

For the Good of the Commission: None.

Being No further business Steve Walz made a motion to adjourn- Seconded by Gene Ege Meeting 7:25pm
Respectfully Submitted by Secretary Luz Maria Gilkey.

DEKALB COUNTY VETERANS ASSISTANCE COMMISSION
REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF JUNE 2019
STATE OF THE BUDGET

VA COUNSELING

Communication	Quantity	YTD
Phone	123	1083
Office	86	620
Outreach/Home Visits	3	25
Email/Mail	88	499
Fax	18	128
Other/Forms	54	1192
Total Employee Communications	372	3547
Total Employee Activity	1049	7185

VA AWARDANCE

	Monthly	YTD
Monthly	$16,405.00	$145,104.00
Retro	$44,305.00	$667,204.00
Total	$60,710.00	$812,308.00

EXPENDITURES

		Monthly	YTD
Salaries & Benefits		$22,277.58	$146,641.45
Training & Meetings		$706.97	$5,852.29
Office Expenses		$386.16	$5,886.06
Building Space/Maintenance		$0.00	$0.00
Direct Assistance to Veteran	**Number Assisted**		
Shelter	15	$5,925.00	$35,600.00
Other		$0.00	$0.00
Drivers Per Diem		$480.00	$2,520.00
Vehicle Expenses			
Fuel Cost		$512.36	$2,047.56
Maintenance/Insurance		$0.00	$4,433.02
	Totals	$30,288.07	$202,980.38

Expense Description:

TRANSPORTATION LOGS

	Quantity	YTD
Trips	37	168
Hours Donated	192	1096
Transported	37	221
Miles	5187	27225
Fuel (gallon)	206.60	1000.299

SUMMARY

	Percentage of Budget	Amount
BUDGET	**100%**	**$511,000.00**
PREVIOUS EXPENDITURES (Jan to Present)	**-34%**	**-$172,692.31**
EXPEDITURES	**-6%**	**-$30,288.07**
BALANCE	**60%**	**$308,019.62**

Restricted Fund Balance **$681,624.09**

DeKalb County Veterans Assistance Commission
Report for the month June 2019
Veterans Assistance / Transportation

	Shelter		Transportation
Towns	Amount	# of Vets	# of Vets
Cortland			
DeKalb	$ 3,525.00	9	25
Fairdale			
Genoa	$ 400.00	1	1
Hinckley	$ 400.00	1	
Kingston			1
Kirkland			
Lee			
Malta			1
Sandwich			0
Shabbona	$ 400.00	1	
Somonauk	$ 400.00	1	
Sycamore	$ 800.00	2	7
Waterman			2
Total	$ 5,925.00	15	37

Hines Community Outreach

July 2019

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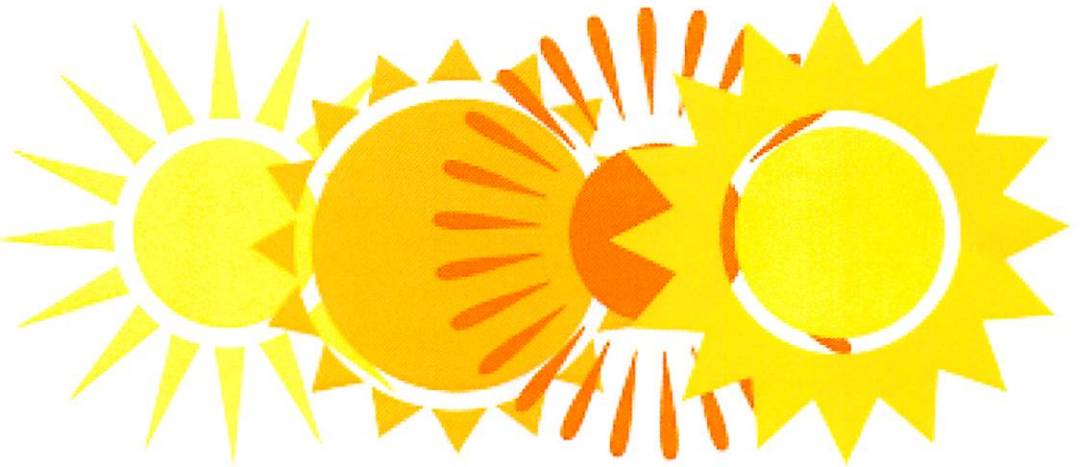

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7/9/2019
10:52AM
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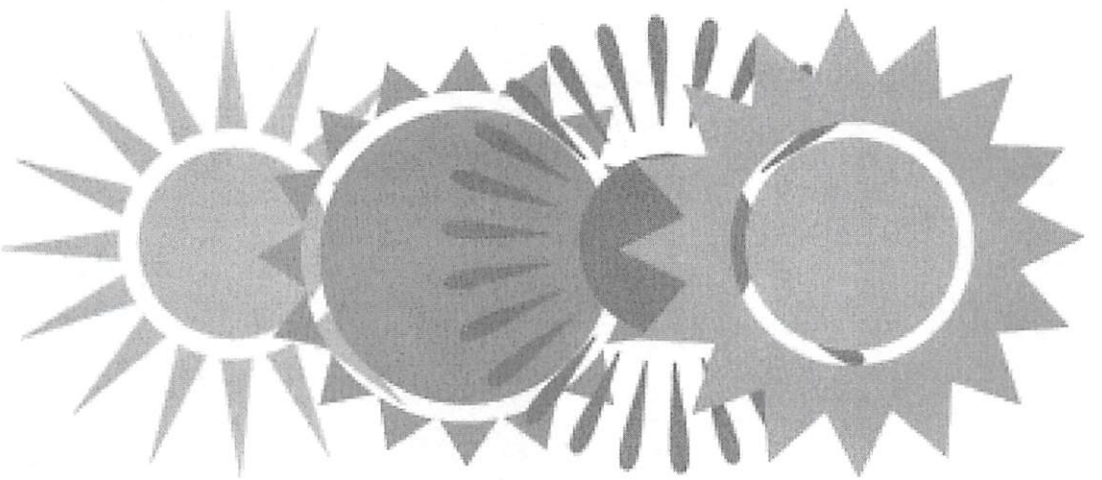

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28	29	30 Cook County Veterans Picnic & Outreach Forum (10A-12:30P)-Swan Pavilion at Brookfield Zoo	31			