

# DeKalb County Veterans Assistance Commission Meeting Minutes

Location: DeKalb County Community Outreach Building  
2500 N. Annie Glidden Rd.  
Five Seasons Room  
DeKalb, IL 60115

Meeting was on October 14, 2013 and started at 7:01 with Board President Rich Joslin presiding and Frank Beierlotzer leading us in the pledge of allegiance.

Board members Rich Joslin, Jim Cox, Stephen Walz, and John Davis were present  
Employees Tammy Anderson, Steven Kreitzer, and Linda Drake were present  
There were 15 members in attendance

## **Introductions of new members and guest:**

Tim Timmer and Gene Ege from the Sycamore American Legion

## **Meeting Minutes:**

Mike Boorsma made the motion to accept the minutes as read and that was seconded by Vick Ingram.  
Vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously.

## **Finance Report:**

John Davis stated that there was \$1,786 in the board checking account.

## **Correspondence:**

Tammy Anderson, Superintendent, stated that if a veteran is on Medicare, Humana was offering a free supplemental insurance. Much discussion ensued as to how good the coverage was and if there were any other companies doing this as well. Tammy stated that she would look into these things and get back to the members.

Randy Smith also asked where the breakdown is for the different cities and how many veterans receive help there. Linda Drake stated that she forgot it and that it would be in the next month's packet.

## **Superintendents Report:**

Tammy Anderson reported that last month the commission helped 32 veterans with food, 22 with shelter, 13 with utilities, and two veterans with schooling. There were 31 veterans transported in 22 trips to VA Hospitals. The Commission helped veterans collect \$12,003.00 in monthly benefits and \$57,140.00 in retroactive benefits. The monthly bills totaled \$29,306.71. Randy Smith asked why the Salaries & Benefits expenditure item had lowered so much from last month. Tammy Anderson – Superintendent – stated that there was a new accountant in the county and he was changing things around a bit and also Herb was no longer working in our office.

Mike Boorsma made the motion to pay the bills of \$29,306.71 and Bob Bend seconded. Under discussion Don Anderson asked if the negative in the training and meeting section was corrected and Tammy Anderson said that it was. Vote was taken and motion passed unanimously.

### **Public Relations**

Frank Beierlotzer stated to keep handing out the flyers to promote the office. If you would like to help escort the Vietnam Traveling Wall on Thursday November 7<sup>th</sup>, 2013 all motorcycles and cars welcome. On November 9-10, 2013 there will be two motorcycle rides honoring our senior veterans at several retirement homes in DeKalb County. November 13, 2013 is veteran appreciation night at NIU and there will be tailgating before the game and a car for a needy veteran given away at Half Time. The hope is to have all the veterans organizations flag's out there at half time as well.

Contact Frank Beierlotzer for more information by email [ffb66@juno.com](mailto:ffb66@juno.com) .

### **Unfinished Business**

1. Bills were voted on under the superintendent's report to be paid.
2. Doll House Progress – Herb Holderman was not there so the progress was not updated. Rich Joslin – President – reminded everyone that everyone needed to go back to their organizations and see if they wanted to donate the money raised to Fisher House or Save-A-Vet. Also, if we want to donate all the money or recoup our cost. John Davis stated that the total cost the board has into these doll houses was \$1,251.96. Frank Beierlotzer stated that he had a contact that could possibly help us with selling them on EBay.
3. Randy Smith brought up that on the list of organizations that was passed out if a contact person could be added so when you call you have a contact person. It was thought that this was a good idea if people wanted to give their name so the list was passed around and the updated list will be given out at the next meeting.

### **New Business**

1. Election Nominations
  - a. President
    - i. Jim Cox was nominated by Rich Joslin and Jim Cox accepted
  - b. Vice President
    - i. Randy Smith was nominated by Vick Ingram and Randy Smith accepted
  - c. Treasurer
    - i. John Davis was nominated by Frank Beierlotzer and John Davis accepted
  - d. Secretary
    - i. Steven Kreitzer was nominated by Rich Joslin and Steven Kreitzer accepted with the understanding that if he was elected he would not be able to be secretary during any personnel matters in which it would be a conflict of interest.

Mike Boorsma asked if the criteria to run for an office would be stated and so the By-Laws were read. After much discussion it was explained to Mike that he could not run for an office unless he was a member of the commission (delegate or alternate for an approved veteran's organization).

Frank Beierlotzer brought up elections for Directors on the Executive Committee. Much discussion ensued and it was settled that there were two Director Positions to be elected as well in December for a two year period. No nominations were made for Directors.

Elections were closed for tonight and will be re-opened at our meeting in November.

2. Linda Drake brought up that we received a \$300 donation from the Sycamore Elks. Tammy Anderson – Superintendent - stated that this money will go to buy food and incidentals for our needy veterans at Christmas time.

### **Good of the Commission**

Don Anderson stated that if people had a problem with him or the Marine Corps League to come and talk face to face. Just wanted this noted and to not spread rumors.

### **Adjourn**

Motion by Vick Ingram to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Stephen Walz. No Discussion. Meeting closed at 7:50pm

Respectfully Submitted  
Steven Kreitzer



**DEKALB COUNTY VETERANS ASSISTANCE COMMISSION  
REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF OCTOBER 2013  
STATE OF THE BUDGET**



**VA COUNSELING**

	Quantity
Office	62
Outstation	0
Phone	21
VA Pension	8
VA Education	5
VA Healthcare	10
VA Compensation	16
VA Other	31

**VA AWARDANCE**

	Monthly	Retro	Total Amount
This Month	\$4,925.00	\$84,009.00	\$88,934.00
To Date	\$78,118.00	\$759,673.00	\$837,791.00

**EXPENDITURES**

Direct Assistance to Veteran (Itemized Below)	\$12,366.66
Vehicle Expenses (Itemized Below)	\$556.59
Salaries & Benefits	\$15,229.43
Training & Meetings	\$532.67
Office Expenses	\$1,100.54
Public Relations	\$0.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$29,785.89</b>

**DIRECT ASSISTANCE TO VETERAN**

	Number Assisted	Amount
Food	30	\$2,025.00
Shelter	24	\$7,350.00
Utilities	22	\$1,197.66
Other (1 Flight School-Aldi's)	1	\$1,575.00
Drivers Per Diem		\$219.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>77</b>	<b>\$12,366.66</b>

**VEHICLE EXPENSES**

	Quantity	Amount
Trips	16	
Transported	20	
Miles	2890	
Fuel (gallon)	151.80	
Fuel Cost		\$476.59
Maintenance (2 - IPass Replenish)		\$80.00
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$556.59</b>

**SUMMARY**

	Percentage of Budget	Amount
<b>2013 BUDGET</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>\$536,600.00</b>
<b>PREVIOUS EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>-66%</b>	<b>-\$356,200.63</b>
<b>EXPEDITURES</b>	<b>-6%</b>	<b>-\$29,785.89</b>
<b>BALANCE</b>	<b>28%</b>	<b>\$150,613.48</b>

Restricted Fund Balance

\$421,743.46

**SEPTEMBER 2013**

<b><u>TOWNS</u></b>	<b><u>SHELTER</u></b>	<b><u>UTILITIES</u></b>	<b><u>FOOD</u></b>	<b><u>TRANSPORTATION</u></b>
<b><u>CORTLAND</u></b>	<b>\$450.00 (1)</b>	<b>\$105.60 (1)</b>	<b>\$100.00 (1)</b>	<b>0</b>
<b><u>DEKALB</u></b>	<b>\$2550.00 (9)</b>	<b>\$266.39 (4)</b>	<b>\$1125.00 (16)</b>	<b>12</b>
<b><u>GENOA</u></b>	<b>\$750.00 (3)</b>	<b>\$130.44 (3)</b>	<b>\$250.00 (5)</b>	<b>4</b>
<b><u>HINCKLEY</u></b>	<b>\$250.00 (1)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>
<b><u>KINGSTON</u></b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b><u>KIRKLAND</u></b>	<b>\$250.00</b>	<b>\$64.87</b>	<b>\$50.00</b>	<b>0</b>
<b><u>MALTA</u></b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b><u>SANDWICH</u></b>	<b>\$450.00 (1)</b>	<b>\$110.00 (1)</b>	<b>\$100.00 (1)</b>	<b>0</b>
<b><u>SHABBONA</u></b>	<b>\$200.00 (1)</b>	<b>\$33.15 (1)</b>	<b>\$50.00 (1)</b>	<b>0</b>
<b><u>SOMONAUK</u></b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>
<b><u>SYCAMORE</u></b>	<b>\$1350.00 (5)</b>	<b>\$190.00(2)</b>	<b>\$375.00 (6)</b>	<b>2</b>
<b><u>TOTALS</u></b>	<b>\$6250.00</b>	<b>\$900.45</b>	<b>\$2050.00</b>	<b>20</b>

**DRIVERS PER DIEM = \$306.00**

**TWO VETERANS CDL TRAINING = \$2,000.00**

**TOTAL FOR THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER, 2013 = \$11,506.45**

**ASSISTANCE TOTAL = 69**

OCTOBER 2013

<u>TOWNS</u>	<u>SHELTER</u>	<u>UTILITIES</u>	<u>FOOD</u>	<u>TRANSPORTATION</u>
<u>CORTLAND</u>	\$450.00 (1)	\$110.00 (1)	\$100.00 (1)	1
<u>DEKALB</u>	\$4150.00 (13)	\$481.47 (7)	\$1150.00 (16)	14
<u>FAIRDALE</u>	0	0	0	1
<u>GENOA</u>	\$250.00 (1)	\$108.58 (2)	\$150.00 (3)	4
<u>HINCKLEY</u>	\$250.00 (1)	\$80.00 (1)	\$50.00 (1)	1
<u>KINGSTON</u>	0	0	0	1
<u>KIRKLAND</u>	\$250.00 (1)	0	\$50.00 (1)	0
<u>MALTA</u>	0	0	0	1
<u>SANDWICH</u>	\$450.00 (1)	\$147.23 (2)	\$150.00 (2)	0
<u>SHABBONA</u>	\$200.00 (1)	\$39.68 (1)	\$50.00 (1)	0
<u>SOMONAUK</u>	0	0	0	1
<u>SYCAMORE</u>	\$1350.00 (5)	\$230.70(3)	\$325.00 (5)	9
<u>TOTALS</u>	\$7350.00	\$1197.00	\$2025.00	33

**DRIVERS PER DIEM = \$360.00**

**ONE VETERAN FLIGHT TRAINING = \$1000.00**

**TOTAL FOR THE MONTH OF OCTOBER, 2013 = \$**

**ASSISTANCE TOTAL = \$11,932.00**



# Veterans Assistance Commission

## Attendance for the General Meeting on Monday, November 18, 2013

Title	Name	Present Y/N	Organization	Delegate/ Alternate	Present Y/N	
President	Rich Joslin	X	<b>American Legion</b>	D: Dan Gallagher		
Vice-President	James Cox	X		Post #66 DeKalb	A: Randy Smith	X
Secretary	Steve Walz			Post #99 Sycamore	D: Tim Timmer	X
Treasurer	John Davis	X			A: Gene Ege	X
Superintendent	Tammy Anderson	X		Post #181 Sandwich	D: George Murphy	X
Service Officer	Linda Drake	X			A: Rick Felstead	X
Service Officer	Steven Kreitzer			Post #337 Genoa	D: Rich Joslin	X
					A: Herb Holderman	X
			Post #598 Hinckley	D:		
				A:		
			Post #654 Waterman	D: James Cox	X	
				A: Bob Bend		
			Post # 772 Somonauk	D: R. Wiley		
				A:		
			Post #1010 Kingston	D: Dan Gallagher		
				A:		
			40 et 8 Voiture 207	D: Frank Beierlotzer	77B	
				A: Joe Newby		
			Marine Corps League Detachment #847 DeKalb County	D: Stefan Kristan		
				A: Joe Chavez		
			AmVets Post #90 DeKalb	D: Steve Marberry		
				A: MICHAEL BOORSMA	MVB	
Organization	Delegate/ Alternate	Present Y/N				
<b>Veterans of Foreign Wars</b>						
Post #1486 Sandwich	D: S. Skopek	X				
	A:					
Post# 2287 DeKalb	D: Victor Ingram	X				
	A: Rick Cliffe					
Post #5768 Sycamore	D: Steve Walz					
	A: Steven Kreitzer					
Post #8387 Genoa	D: Don Anderson	X				
	A:					
DeKalb County VietNow	D: John Davis	X				
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**SIGN IN FOR DCVAC MEETING**  
**NOVEMBER 18, 2013**

<u>NAME</u>	<u>ORGANIZATION</u>	<u>DRIVER OR PASSINGER</u> (CIRCLE ONE)
1. Michael Boersma	AmVets	<input type="radio"/> D <input type="radio"/> P
2. Frank Beierlotzer		<input checked="" type="radio"/> D <input type="radio"/> P
3. Gene Ege		<input type="radio"/> D <input type="radio"/> P
4. STEFAN SKOPEK	VFW-1486	<input type="radio"/> D <input type="radio"/> P
5. Rich Felstead	American Legion	<input type="radio"/> D <input type="radio"/> P
6. GEORGE MURPHY	Am. Legion 181	<input type="radio"/> D <input type="radio"/> P
7. Roger K. Wiley	Am Legion 772	<input type="radio"/> D <input type="radio"/> P
8. James [unclear]	Am Legion 65th	<input type="radio"/> D <input type="radio"/> P
9. Herb Hellborn	A Legion	<input type="radio"/> D <input type="radio"/> P
10. Don Anderson	Post 8397	<input type="radio"/> D <input type="radio"/> P
11. Victor Ingram	VFW Post 2287	<input type="radio"/> D <input type="radio"/> P
12. JOHN DAVIS	VIETNOW	<input type="radio"/> D <input type="radio"/> P
13. Tammy [unclear]	DCVAC	<input type="radio"/> D <input type="radio"/> P
14. Rich [unclear]	AL 337	<input type="radio"/> D <input type="radio"/> P
15. Tim Timmet	AL 99	<input type="radio"/> D <input type="radio"/> P
16. RANDY SMITH	AL Post 66	<input type="radio"/> D <input type="radio"/> P
17. LINDA DRAKE	DCVAC	<input type="radio"/> D <input type="radio"/> P
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