

DeKalb County Veterans Assistance Commission Meeting Minutes

July 14, 2014

Community Outreach Building

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

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

Employees: Superintendent Tammy Anderson, Steven Kreitzer, Linda Drake and Luz Maria Gilkey were present

Guest: None

Meeting Minutes:

Don Jones made the motion that the minutes should be approved and it was seconded by Stephen Walz. Motion passed unanimously.

Treasurers Report:

John Davis stated that the balance was still \$2,786.00 and 8 of the 16 veteran's organizations have paid their dues. No Questions on the report

Public Comment:

None

For the Good of the Commission

Each of the Commission employees went over what they had learned at their annual training.

Superintendents Report:

Tammy Anderson reported that last month, the Commission helped 31 veterans with food, 30 with shelter, and 33 with utilities. There were 32 veterans transported in 25 trips to VA Hospitals. The Commission helped veterans collect \$17,066.65 in monthly benefits and \$93,289.37 in retroactive benefits. The monthly bills totaled \$54,562.76 and Jim Cox asked if there was a motion to pay the bills. Tammy also stated that the restricted fund balance has been updated and will not change again till about this time next year. Bob Bend made the motion to accept the superintendent's report and pay the bills and Donald Jones seconded. A roll call vote was taken and passed unanimously.

Committee Reports:

Jim Cox stated that Tammy had presented a budget to the executive committee and that it was getting submitted to the county for approval. After it is approved it will be given to the commission.

Old Business

Doll House Progress – Tammy Anderson reported that 218 of the 500 tickets were sold. Tammy Anderson and Linda Drake will be going down to the Waterman tractor show to try sell more as well as promote the office.

Discussion of Bi-Laws – Jim Cox stated we have passed out the Bi-Laws two months ago and that tonight the commission would like to take a vote on it. Stephen Walz made a motion to vote on the Bi-Laws and Don Jones Seconded. Gene Ege stated has the issue that was in the minutes last month been corrected. Tammy Anderson stated that it had. There was no further discussion and a roll call vote was taken passing the Bi-Laws unanimously. Jim Cox thanked everyone for their due diligence, time and effort that went into making these Bi-Laws.

New Business

Tammy Anderson brought up that starting July 1, 2015 is when the state is scheduled to allow the word veteran to be added to your driver's license if you so choose. DD-214 is the required documentation to support that.

Randy Smith had asked that Tammy Anderson talk about the issue he brought up to her about the veteran that did not have air conditioning. Tammy Anderson stated that the office could not help with that because it would set a precedence. She also stated that the veterans organizations have distressed funds and it is at their discretion if they would like to help them or not. Some discussion ensued about the different organizations distressed funds. Tammy Anderson asked that each organization come back with what they help with so that the office is not sending the veteran around to different organizations only to get told no again.

Adjourn

Motion by Stephen Walz to adjourn the meeting and seconded by Don Jones with no discussion

Meeting closed at 7:48 PM

Respectfully Submitted - Steven Kreitzer - Secretary



DeKalbCountyVeterans Organizations Voting Monday July 14, 2014

		Superintendents Report	Adopt new Bi-Laws				
Veterans of Foreign Wars							
<i>Post #1486 Sandwich</i>	<i>D: Stefan Skopek</i>						
	<i>A: Tod Latham</i>						
<i>Post# 2287 DeKalb</i>	<i>D: Travis Petrie</i>						
	<i>A: Michael J. Henning</i>						
<i>Post #5768 Sycamore</i>	<i>D: Stephen Walz</i>	Y	Y				
	<i>A: Steve Kreitzer</i>						
<i>Post #8387 Genoa</i>	<i>D: Don Anderson</i>						
	<i>A:</i>						
DeKalb County VietNow							
	<i>D: John Davis</i>	Y	Y				
	<i>A:</i>						
American Legion							
<i>Post #66 DeKalb</i>	<i>D:Randy Smith</i>	Y	Y				
	<i>A:Dan Gallagher</i>						
<i>Post #99 Sycamore</i>	<i>D:Tim Timmer</i>	Y	Y				
	<i>A:Gene Ege</i>						
<i>Post #181 Sandwich</i>	<i>D: George Murphy</i>						
	<i>A: Rick Felstead</i>						
<i>Post #337 Genoa</i>	<i>D: Rich Joslin</i>	Y	Y				
	<i>A: Herb Holderman</i>						
<i>Post #598 Hinckley</i>	<i>D:</i>						
	<i>A:</i>						
<i>Post #654 Waterman</i>	<i>D. Robert Bend</i>	Y	Y				
	<i>A: James Cox</i>						
<i>Post # 772 Somonauk</i>	<i>D:Roger Wiley</i>						
	<i>A:</i>						
<i>Post #1010 Kingston</i>	<i>D: Dan Gallagher</i>						
	<i>A:</i>						
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	<i>D: Frank Beierlotzer</i>	Y	Y				
	<i>A: Robert Coulter</i>						
Marine Corps League Detachment #847 DeKalb County							
	<i>D: Donald Jones</i>	Y	Y				
	<i>A: Joe Chavez</i>						
Am Vets Post #90 DeKalb							
	<i>D:Steve Marberry</i>						
	<i>A-.Mike Boorsma</i>						



**DEKALB COUNTY VETERANS ASSISTANCE COMMISSION
REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF JUNE 2014
STATE OF THE BUDGET**



VA COUNSELING

	Quantity
Office	54
Outstation	0
Phone	7
VA Pension	9
VA Education	10
VA Healthcare	9
VA Compensation	26
VA Other	20

VA AWARDANCE

	Monthly	Retro	Total Amount
This Month	\$17,066.65	\$93,289.37	\$110,356.02
To Date	\$61,976.48	\$564,379.76	\$626,356.24

EXPENDITURES

Direct Assistance to Veteran	(Itemized Below)	\$16,193.85
Vehicle Expenses	(Itemized Below)	\$641.23
Salaries & Benefits		\$18,455.66
Training & Meetings		\$700.32
Office Expenses		\$18,514.07
Public Relations		\$37.63
Total		\$54,542.76

DIRECT ASSISTANCE TO VETERAN

	Number Assisted	Amount
Food	31	\$2,075.00
Shelter	30	\$9,900.00
Utilities	33	\$1,934.85
Other (1 CDL)	1	\$1,925.00
Drivers Per Diem		\$359.00
Total	95	\$16,193.85

VEHICLE EXPENSES

	Quantity	Amount
Trips	25	
Transported	32	
Miles	4207	
Fuel (gallon)	197.30	
Fuel Cost		\$641.23
Maintenance		\$0.00
Total		\$641.23

SUMMARY

	Percentage of Budget	Amount
2014 BUDGET	100%	\$536,600.00
PREVIOUS EXPENDITURES	-37%	-\$198,568.28
EXPEDITURES	-10%	-\$54,542.76
BALANCE	53%	\$283,488.96

Restricted Fund Balance \$536,273.94



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REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF JUNE 2014
VETERANS ASSISTANCE / TRANSPORTATION



Towns	Shelter		Utilities		Food		Transportation
	Amount	# of Vets	Amount	# of Vets	Amount	# of Vets	# of Vets
Cortland	\$ 900.00	2	\$ 255.37	4	\$ 200.00	2	0
DeKalb	\$ 5,050.00	15	\$ 674.28	12	\$ 1,200.00	17	18
Fairdale	\$ -	0	\$ -	0	\$ -	0	0
Genoa	\$ 350.00	1	\$ 182.27	3	\$ 100.00	2	4
Hinckley	\$ 250.00	1	\$ 80.00	1	\$ 50.00	1	1
Kingston	\$ 450.00	1	\$ -	0	\$ -	0	0
Kirckland	\$ -	0	\$ -	0	\$ -	0	0
Malta	\$ -	0	\$ -	0	\$ -	0	0
Maple Park	\$ -	0	\$ 79.47	1	\$ -	0	0
Sandwich	\$ 1,150.00	3	\$ 219.61	3	\$ 25.00	1	0
Shabbona	\$ 250.00	1	\$ 55.08	1	\$ 50.00	1	0
Somonauk	\$ 500.00	2	\$ 187.69	4	\$ 100.00	2	0
Sycamore	\$ 1,000.00	4	\$ 201.08	4	\$ 350.00	5	9
Total	\$ 9,900.00	30	\$ 1,934.85	33	\$ 2,075.00	31	32