

DeKalb County Veterans Assistance Commission Meeting Minutes

April 13, 2015

Community Outreach Building

Meeting started at 7:00 with Board President Jim Cox presiding and Mike Boorsma leading us in the pledge of allegiance.

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

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

Meeting Minutes:

Mike Boorsma made the motion that the February minutes should be approved and it was seconded by Donald Jones. Motion passed unanimously.

Treasurers Report:

John Davis stated that the balance was \$4,488.30 and that 9 of the 16 veterans' organizations had paid their dues.

Public Comment:

None

For the Good of the Commission

Tammy Anderson – Superintendent – went over the budget and explained that the county increased the budget without her knowing and the approved budget on the County website is not the one she submitted. She went though and pointed out that the discrepancy with her budget and the County's was in the salaries and benefits items. This discrepancy totals \$104,280 in overstatement by the county to Tammy's original budget. Tammy went on to explain that she is planning on sticking with her budget and not the one that the county passed. In addition to this Tammy also pointed out that even with hiring of two part time personnel the Veterans Assistance is still budgeted the same as last years.

Superintendent's Report:

Tammy Anderson reported that last month, the Commission helped 24 veterans and their families with shelter. There were 19 veterans transported in 16 trips to VA Hospitals. The Commission helped veterans collect \$4,034.34 in monthly benefits and \$61,867.35 in retroactive benefits. Mike Boorsma made the motion to accept the minutes and Don Jones seconded it.

Committee Reports:

None

Old Business:

None

New Business:

The tornado that struck Fairdale was discussed in some detail and what should be done to help the veteran affected by it. Rich Joslin made a motion to donate \$1,000 to a Veteran affected by the Tornado if he needs immediate help. It was also in the motion that if the Commission decided that the money was needed they had the discretion to use that money up to the \$1,000 to help that Veteran. This motion was seconded by Mike Boorsma. The motion was voted on by a roll call and passes unanimously.

Adjourn

Motion by Mike Boorsma to adjourn the meeting and seconded by Donald Jones with no discussion

Meeting closed at 7:35 PM

Respectfully Submitted - Steven Kreitzer - Secretary



**DEKALB COUNTY VETERANS ASSISTANCE COMMISSION
REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF MARCH 2015
STATE OF THE BUDGET**



VA COUNSELING

	Quantity
Office	68
Outstation	5
Phone	77
VA Pension	23
VA Education	5
VA Healthcare	21
VA Compensation	45
VA Other	82

VA AWARDANCE

	Monthly	Retro	Total Amount
This Month	\$4,034.34	\$61,867.35	\$65,901.69
To Date	\$33,748.99	\$360,472.30	\$394,221.29

EXPENDITURES

Direct Assistance to Veteran (Itemized Below)	\$7,315.00
Vehicle Expenses (Itemized Below)	\$330.08
Salaries & Benefits	\$20,935.24
Training, Meetings, & Travel	\$40.00
Office Expenses	\$954.35
Public Relations	\$490.00
Total	\$30,064.67

DIRECT ASSISTANCE TO VETERAN

	Number Assisted	Amount
Shelter	24	\$7,100.00
Food	1	\$50.00
Other (Aldi's on hand)		-\$50.00
Drivers Per Diem		\$215.00
Total	25	\$7,315.00

VEHICLE EXPENSES

	Quantity	Amount
Trips	16	
Transported	19	
Miles	2938	
Fuel (gallon)	177.00	
Fuel Cost		\$299.13
Maintenance		\$30.95
Total		\$330.08

SUMMARY

	Percentage of Budget	Amount
2015 BUDGET	100%	\$505,300.00
PREVIOUS EXPENDITURES	-15%	-\$75,010.71
EXPEDITURES	-6%	-\$30,064.67
BALANCE	79%	\$400,224.62

Restricted Fund Balance **\$536,273.94**



DeKalb County Veterans Assistance Commission
Report for the month of March 2015
Veterans Assistance / Transportation



Towns	Shelter		Transportation
	Amount	# of Vets	# of Vets
Cortland			1
DeKalb	\$ 4,000.00	13	11
Fairdale			
Genoa			2
Hinckley			
Kingston	\$ 350.00	1	
Kirckland			
Malta			1
Sandwich			
Shabbona	\$ 300.00	1	
Somonauk	\$ 600.00	2	
Sycamore	\$ 1,850.00	7	4
Waterman			
Total	\$ 7,100.00	24	19



DeKalb County Veterans Organizations

Voting Monday April 13, 2015

		Superintendents Report	Doll House funds to possibly help Veteran affected by Tornado of \$1,000				
Veterans of Foreign Wars							
Post #1486 Sandwich	D: Stefan Skopek	Y	Y				
	A: Tod Latham						
Post# 2287 DeKalb	D: Travis Petrie						
	A: Michael J. Henning						
Post #5768 Sycamore	D: Stephen Walz	Y	Y				
	A: Steve Kreitzer						
Post #8387 Genoa	D: Don Anderson						
	A:						
DeKalb County VietNow	D: John Davis	Y	Y				
	A:						
American Legion							
Post #66 DeKalb	D:Randy Smith						
	A:Dan Gallagher						
Post #99 Sycamore	D:Tim Timmer	Y	Y				
	A:Gene Ege						
Post #181 Sandwich	D: George Murphy	Y	Y				
	A: Rick Felstead						
Post #337 Genoa	D: Rich Joslin	Y	Y				
	A: Herb Holderman						
Post #598 Hinckley	D:						
	A:						
Post #654 Waterman	D. Robert Bend	Y	Y				
	A: James Cox						
Post # 772 Somonauk	D:Roger Wiley						
	A:						
Post #1010 Kingston	D: Dan Gallagher						
	A:						
40 et 8 Voiture 207	D: Frank Beierlotzer						
	A: Robert Coulter						
Marine Corps League Detachment #847 DeKalb County	D: Donald Jones	Y	Y				
	A: Joe Chavez						
AmVets Post #90 DeKalb	D:Steve Marberry						
	A:Mike Boorsma	Y	Y				