

DeKalb County Veterans Assistance Commission Meeting Minutes
July 13, 2015
Community Outreach Building

Meeting started at 7:00 with Treasurer John Davis presiding and leading us in the pledge of allegiance.

Board members: Vice-President Don Anderson, Secretary Steven Kreitzer, and Treasurer John Davis were present.
Employees: Superintendent Tammy Anderson, Steven Kreitzer, Linda Drake, Luz Maria Gilkey, Jill Peacock, and Renee McGuan were present

Meeting Minutes:

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

Treasurers Report:

John Davis reported that there was \$5,063.30 in the checking account. Mike Boorsma made the motion to accept the Treasurers Report subject to audit and it was seconded by Don Jones.

Public Comment:

John Davis brought up the flyer handout on the Town of Cortland Veterans Memorial Re-Dedication Saturday August 1, 2015 at 2pm. It is located at Suppeland Park Cortland, IL.

Linda Drake brought up that the Genoa American Legion helped a local veteran repair his front steps as they were unsafe. She also brought up about the sons of the Union Veterans of the Civil war re-dedication of the Civil War monument in front of the DeKalb County Courthouse on August 15 at 10 am. Lastly, Linda brought up about the 8th annual pork chop dinner for \$5 at the Franklin Township Park from 6pm – 10 pm. Proceeds are going to help victims of the Tornado.

For the Good of the Commission

None

Superintendent's Report:

Tammy Anderson reported that last month, the Commission helped 20 Veterans and their families with shelter. There were 22 Veterans transported in 17 trips to VA Hospitals. The Commission helped Veterans collect \$12,842.11 in monthly benefits and \$127,354.96 in retroactive benefits. Mike Boorsma made the motion to accept the report and pay the bills of \$48,995.78 Don Jones seconded it. A roll call vote was taken and there were 8 yes's and 1 abstain. Motion passes

Committee Reports:

None

Old Business:

None

New Business:

- a. Illinois Senate Bill 107 – Tammy Anderson explained that the bill would be the following if signed by the Governor as it has already passed both houses. “In a Section concerning the disabled veterans standard homestead exemption, provides that, for taxable years 2015 and thereafter: (i) if the veteran has a service connected disability of 30% or more but less than 50%, the annual exemption is \$2,500; (ii) if the veteran has a service connected disability of 50% or more but less than 70%, the annual exemption is \$5,000; and (iii) if the veteran has a service connected disability of 70% or more, then the property is exempt from taxation. Effective immediately.” Some discussion ensued.

Adjourn

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

Meeting closed at 7:20 PM

Respectfully Submitted - Steven Kreitzer - Secretary



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



VA COUNSELING

	Quantity
Office	54
Outstation	6
Phone	78
VA Pension	25
VA Education	5
VA Healthcare	11
VA Compensation	51
VA Other	93

VA AWARDANCE

	Monthly	Retro	Total Amount
This Month	\$12,842.11	\$127,354.96	\$140,197.07
To Date	\$79,908.87	\$882,350.92	\$962,259.79

EXPENDITURES

Direct Assistance to Veteran (Itemized Below)	\$6,292.00
Vehicle Expenses (Itemized Below)	\$339.62
Salaries & Benefits	\$20,431.83
Training & Meetings	\$1,818.30
Office Expenses	\$19,607.28
Public Relations	\$506.75
Total	\$48,995.78

DIRECT ASSISTANCE TO VETERAN

	Number Assisted	Amount
Shelter	20	\$6,050.00
Other		
Drivers Per Diem		\$242.00
Total	20	\$6,292.00

VEHICLE EXPENSES

	Quantity	Amount
Trips	17	
Transported	22	
Miles	3332	
Fuel (gallon)	148.40	
Fuel Cost		\$308.67
Maintenance		\$30.95
Total		\$339.62

SUMMARY

	Percentage of Budget	Amount
2015 BUDGET	100%	\$505,300.00
PREVIOUS EXPENDITURES	-32%	-\$162,917.24
EXPEDITURES	-10%	-\$48,995.78
BALANCE	58%	\$293,386.98

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			
DeKalb	\$ 3,950.00	13	8
Fairdale			
Genoa			3
Hinckley			
Kingston			
Kirckland			
Malta			1
Sandwich			1
Shabbona	\$ 300.00	1	1
Somonauk	\$ 600.00	2	
Sycamore	\$ 1,200.00	4	8
Waterman			
Total	\$ 6,050.00	20	22



DeKalb County Veterans Organizations

Voting Monday July 13, 2015

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