

Veterans Service Committee Regular Meeting  
19 January 2017

Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m.

Present: Alan Strouf chairman, Richard Strain, Fred Kozak, Lyle Bartels, Ronald Corbett excused, Forrest Doyle CVSO / Secretary, Stephanie Krivohlavek, Marvin Kohout County Commissioner, And Tim McDermott New County Human Resources Director.

Doyle reminded those present of the open meetings law posted at the back of the room.

Richard Strain moved to approve the agenda, seconded by Fred Kozak. Voting aye: 4, nays: none motion carried.

Doyle read the minutes of the 15 September, 2016 regular meeting. Strain made motion to approve the minutes as read Seconded by Bartels. Voting aye: 4, nays: none motion carried.

Doyle read the report of what the office has done as to seeing veterans and dependents for claims and help from the office. From the Federal VA 6 new claims and 6 requests to increase Service connected claims, and 1 new Non service connected claims. 0 requests for school, 5 for Discharges from the National Archives, 3 requests for health care and 4 appointment requested. And reported to the VA and the state of Nebraska 12 Veterans have passed away and 11 spouses and, for the office 17 Veterans, 11 Spouses passed away for the office files. For widows 2 requests for compensation or pensions for Widows, 4 burial benefits, 4 headstones or markers. 0 requests for Senators Office help and, 0 request for Homestead exemption letters.

Nebraska and Saline County Help from the office discharges 6 from state and 5 from the county, 2 hunting and Fishing permit, One (1) State Veterans Home application Pending. And 26 request for transportation for health care and only completing 19 of these trips due to canceling the appointment or due to bad weather and road conditions. Office has provided 4 county markers. Had 2 pending and 1 requests for Nebraska Veterans Aid with 3 approved for \$5488.37 and 0 denied. County Aid fund is at \$ 3092.35 with 0 request to use County Aid Fund.

Went over the budget worksheets and reported on budget. The Office will be ordering the county markers soon.

Working on getting the County newspaper's articles on new update from the VA and the Veteran Service office, tell will do home visits.

Reported on the Registry for Veteran on Driver's License requiring using a DD-214 and, a DD-214 or NGB-22 form and for the Veterans License Plates.

Reported on the states computer system Vetera Spec as I have continued using the system and still not use to it but working with it more daily and getting better at using it. The State is not entering all the

information in to this system due to requirement from the Federal VA even though the VA is using this system as a D-2-D system for CVSO's and we are checking on how to make the Information flow better.

Reported on the County Car used by the office and that the veterans that have used it have no problem getting in and out.

The Veterans Memorial committee is stilling entering information on Kiosk and has hired 2 people to enter information and they have rechecked files in the office and are working on the Books in the Clerks office. The kiosk it is working with some problems and having a Cooling system for kiosk looked into and Windy Prairie is replacing a cable when it is received.

Have been holding a outreach at the Vets and Friends in Crete to help with paperwork and Information. ON Jan 24 2017 I will meet with the Veterans Rep out of Omaha for Senator Fisher's Office to inform the of what problem of good is coming out of the VA.

8:40 Committee exited Closed Session for Personal Eval

The next regular scheduled meeting will be Thursday 27 April 2017 at 7:00 p.m. in the courthouse assembly room. With no further business to come before the committee Strain moved for Adjournment and seconded by Bartels Voting aye: 4, nays: none, motion carried. Alan Strouf Chairman adjourned the meeting at 8:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted

Forrest A. Doyle, Secretary