Veterans Service Committee Regular Meeting 21 September 22, 2017

Meeting called to order at 7:01 p.m.

Present: Ronald Corbett chairman, Fred Kozak, Lyle Bartels, and Alan Strouf excused, Forrest Doyle CVSO / Secretary, Stephanie Krivohlavek County Commissioner and one person from public. Doyle reminded those present of the open meetings law posted at the back of the room.

Fred Kozak moved to approve the agenda, seconded by Lyle Bartels. Voting aye: 3, nays: none motion carried.

Corbett spended reading the minutes of the 27 April, 2017 regular meeting as all had received a copy of then in the mail. Bartels made motion to approve the minutes as read Seconded by Kozak. Voting aye: 3, 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 4 requests to increase Service connected claims, and 0 new Non service connected claims. 0 requests for school, 6 for Discharges from the National Archives, 6 requests for health care and 4 appointments requested. And reported to the VA and the state of Nebraska 10 Veterans have passed away and 7 spouses and, for the office 13 Veterans, 7 Spouses passed away for the office files. For widows 2 requests for compensation or pensions for Widows, 3 burial benefits, 6 headstones or markers. 0 requests for Senators Office help and, 1 request for Homestead exemption letters.

Nebraska and Saline County Help from the office discharges 7 from state and 3 from the county, 0 hunting and Fishing permit, State Veterans Home application one Pending. And 32 request for transportation for health care and only completing 29 of these trips due to canceling the appointment or due to bad weather and road conditions. Office has provided 10 county markers. Had 3 pending requests for Nebraska Veterans Aid with 2 denied. County Aid fund is at \$ 2016.72 and had 3 requests for County Aid for total of \$1075.63.

Went over the budget worksheets and reported on budget for 2018, at this time there are no changes to budget and reported that the budget was approved as requested.

The Veterans Memorial committee is stilling entering information mostly for new names or as information is sent in. For Czech days the Kiosk was replaced it is working with the Backup from Windy Prairie and have no know problems and believe the company is having Our Computer fixed. Received a suggested maintenance plan for the brick pavers and it was forwarded to the Memorial Committee to resolve.

Reported on the states computer system Vetera Spec. The State is not entering all the information in to this system due to requirement from the Federal VA and now the state will be stopping access to files if the CVSO is not cross Accredited with the veterans Service Organization but the state has released a new state form so the veteran can allow the released of information through Vetera Spec system so the information will flow better.

The next regular scheduled meeting will be Thursday 18 January 2018 at 7:00 p.m. in the courthouse assembly room. With no further business to come before the committee Kozak moved for Adjournment and seconded by Bartels Voting aye: 3, nays: none, motion carried. Ronald Corbett adjourned the meeting at 8:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted

Forrest A. Doyle, Secretary