

Winnebago County Veterans Service Commission

Meeting Minutes

Date: July 9, 2018

Present: Bob Warnke, Dale Witzke, Joe Maehl, Roy Rogers, Tom Snider, Joe Aulik and Judy Steckbauer

Absent: None

Others Present: None

Bob Warnke called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

Bob Warnke requested a motion for the acceptance of the meeting agenda. Dale Witzke so moved, second by Tom Snider. All ayes, motion carried.

Bob Warnke requested a motion to go into closed session. Roy Rogers so moved at 1:05 p.m., second by Dale Witzke. All ayes, motioned carried. Convened in closed session for the purposes of acting on applications for financial, medical, social, or personal histories of such applicants which, if discussed in public, would be likely to have a substantial adverse effect upon the reputation of any person referred to in such histories or date, as provided in sec. 19.85 [1] [f], Wisconsin State Statutes.

Bob Warnke requested a motion to come out of closed session. Tom Snider so moved at 1:15 p.m., second by Dale Witzke. All ayes, motion carried.

Bob Warnke called for Public Comments. None.

Bob Warnke called for approval of meeting minutes dated June 20, 2018. Joe Maehl so moved, second by Tom Snider. All ayes, motion carried.

Bob Warnke called for approval of the financial report dated July 9, 2018. Dale Witzke so moved, second by Roy Rogers. All ayes, motion carried. Joe detailed report. The Commission can average about \$5,200 in approvals per month for the remaining budget to last rest of the year.

Old Business: Joe distributed several reports on year-to-date office statistics for retroactive amounts by employee, projections for 1/1/18 – 6/29/18 in monthly benefits coming into the county and comparisons of 2015-2017. From 2015 – 2017, the office averaged a 338% return on the County's budget investment. The office also averaged generating about \$2.2 million in compensation and pension annually during that same time frame. Some discussion on how the retroactive benefits may actually go down due to new appeals processing and implementation of

new claims processes. The more veterans that access their VA benefits, the less they access other county services such as Food Share, Medical Assistance, etc.

Joe also discussed that this year's budget is coming in on target except if the requested new employee is approved.

New Business: Tom Snider's Resolution calling for an audit of WDVA's Trust Fund has approved by the Legislative Committee and now goes onto the full County Board. Tom also spoke on the clarifications to the wording for the federal legislation financially supporting CVSO Offices.

The next meeting will be on Monday, August 13, 2018 @ 1:00 p.m. at the County Administration Building, 3rd Floor Conference Room, 112 Otter Ave., Oshkosh, WI. Tom Snider moved to adjourn, seconded by Joe Maehl. All ayes, motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Judy Steckbauer
Veterans Benefit Supervisor