Winnebago County Veterans Service Commission

Meeting Minutes

Date: August 9, 2021

Present: Bob Warnke, Lucy Burr, Roy Rogers, Jerry Schultz, Jeff Bucholtz & Judy Steckbauer

Absent: None

Others Present: None

Bob Warnke called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

Bob Warnke requested a motion for the acceptance of the meeting agenda. Roy Rogers so moved, second by Lucy Burr. All ayes, motion carried.

Bob Warnke called for Public Comments. None.

Bob Warnke requested a motion to go into closed session. Tom Snider so moved at 1:05 p.m., second by Lucy Burr. All ayes, motion 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 1:30 p.m., second by Lucy Burr. All ayes, motion carried.

Bob Warnke called for approval of meeting minutes dated July 12, 2021. Jerry Schultz so moved, second by Lucy Burr. All ayes, motion carried.

Bob Warnke called for approval of the financial report dated August 9, 2021. Jerry Schultz so moved, second by Lucy Burr. All ayes, motion carried. Jeff discussed budget meeting with County Executive. The office budget came in under levy. VSC budget was lowered to \$35,000 because of partnership with FVVC. Only adjustment that was made by the Executive, was in the travel area. \$500 was added for Director & staff mileage to do more outreach. Also, possible satellite offices in rural settings such as Winneconne, Omro, Pickett, etc. Executive feels that there is a need.

Old Business: The Veterans Village concept again discussed. The County Executive looks at Outagamie, Waupaca and Brown Counties and the VA services in those counties and the Veterans Village concept.

Office was involved in EAA along with the Vets Center, VA Medical Staff, WDVA, VORP and other veteran related organizations. Office also had booth at the County Fair last week and had good traffic. Will also be participating in the Senior Living Expo at the Oshkosh Convention Center in October.

Again, discussion on the definition of a veteran. The WI State Statute that the VSC follows will be distributed next month.

New Business:

Tom Snider challenged all Commissioners to contact their federal legislators in support of the CVSO Act. It is currently out of committee and in House & Senate. WICVSO, NACVSO & NACO have all supported. Tom will be asking the County Board to support.

The next meeting date is Monday, September 13, 2021 @ 1:00 p.m. at the County Administration Building, 3rd Floor Conference Room, 112 Otter Ave. Oshkosh, WI. Jerry Schultz moved to adjourn, seconded by Tom Snider. All ayes, motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Judy Steckbauer Veterans Benefit Supervisor