Winnebago County Veterans Service Commission

Meeting Minutes

Date: September 12, 2016

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

Absent: Jim Romnek and Joe Maehl

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. Tom Snider so moved, second by Dale Witzke. All ayes, motion carried.

Bob Warnke requested a motion to go into closed session. Tom Snider so moved at 9:01 a.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 9:15 a.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 July 20, 2016. Tom Snider so moved, second by Dale Witzke. All ayes, motion carried.

Bob Warnke called for approval of the financial report dated September 12, 2016. Tom Snider so moved, second by Dale Witzke. All ayes, motion carried. Issue of non-lapsing account set up as emergency fund brought up at recent annual meeting of the WSACVSC. Will be put on agenda for next month.

Old Business: Position Study currently in appeal period. All Benefit Specialists are appealing as well as the Administrative Assistant. All paperwork needs to be into Joe by today and forwarded to Human Resources by next Monday, September 19th.

Relocation – Joe has spoken to architect and made some changes to original design. Moving Vet Center offices closer to entrance of area so veterans coming to group or individual counseling to do not need to work through the rest of the office. Parking issues again brought up aong with needing more handicapped parking spots.

Legislative Updates – none at this time.

New Business: 2017 budget has already gone through the County Executive review. Joe had requested 2 new benefit specialist positions. Only 1 passed the Executive level. Budget basically came in flat except for salary, fringes and training expenses for new employee.

Issue came up with a Reservist with no active duty other than for training wanting to make a VSC request. State statute 45.86 reviewed which governs the commission and changes to VSC policy discussed. Motion made to amend policy in accordance with state statute, specifically noting definition of veteran in 45.001, 45.01 & 45.02.

Setting up non-lapsing account will be discussed at next month's VSC meeting.

The next meeting will be on Monday, October 10, 2016 at **2:00 p.m**. at the Orrin King Building, 1st floor conference room, 448 Algoma Blvd., Oshkosh, WI.

* Specifically Note Change in Meeting Time*

Dale Witzke moved to adjourn, seconded by Bob Warnke. All ayes, motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Judy Steckbauer Deputy Director of Veterans Services