

**DEKALB COUNTY VETERANS  
ASSISTANCE COMMISSION  
MAY 14, 2007**

The meeting started at 7:00 with President Rich Joslin presiding. There were 10 members in attendance.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and one correction was made. The ending time for the job fair is 1:00 not 11:00. Frank Beierlotzer made the motion to accept the amended minutes and this was seconded by Edd DeJonghe. The minutes were approved.

The finance report was read by Treasurer John Davis and we have 1992.57 in the fund. Frank Beierlotzer made the motion to accept the treasurer's report and this was seconded by Edd Dejonghe. The report was approved.

Correspondence, we had an audit by DeKalb County and there was much discussion on the audit.

Superintendent's report, Herb Holderman explained that our poverty level for payments is 170% of the poverty level. He also explained how the payments are made and how much is paid out. Herb also presented us with his monthly report which was read. DeKalb VAC paid out \$1550 in financial assistance to needy vets.

Committee reports, there are no changes in the vet fair and the mailings will go out at the end of the week.

Constitution and by-laws were discussed. There are some changes to be made to the by-laws and the changes will be sent to the members that were not present.

Public relations, everybody is invited to the mayor's breakfast and it was discussed that DCVAC should be on the list as a co-sponsor. Edd Dejonghe made this motion and this was seconded by John Duback.

Unfinished business, plans for the new building were discussed again, and there is a possibility that there will be a second floor. Ground breaking will be soon.

The handbooks are still being rewritten.

The new hire was talked about, and Herb said that for the first six months it will be mostly book work. Going to school and getting accredited does not get the new hire the hands on experience that he or she needs, so a training manual was discussed and a study plan must be presented to the new hire so that they know what to expect.

We discussed a van for the commission, and at this point a minivan will do us for now. Later on, we will probably need a bigger van with a wheel chair lift. Herb will be checking out the price of vans and whether it will be better to buy or lease. Frank Beierlotzer made the motion that a committee consisting of Steve Walz, Mike Boorsma, and Rich Joslin will assist Herb Holderman in the decision. This was seconded by Edd DeJonghe and the motion passed.

There was no new business, and at 8:20 a motion to adjourn was made by Edd Dejonghe and was seconded by Frank Beierlotzer. The motion was approved.

Respectfully Submitted,

Steve Walz, Secretary