# DEKALB COUNTY VETERANS ASSISTANCE COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

## November 13, 2017

#### COMMUNITY OUTREACH BUILDING

Meeting started at 7:03 pm with Vice-President Celeste Latham presiding. Mike Boorsma led us in the pledge of allegiance.

**Board Members Present:** Vice-President Celeste Latham, Secretary Luz Maria Gilkey, and Treasurer John Davis were present.

**Employees Present**: Tammy Anderson, Luz Maria Gilkey, Tim Stubinger, Cindy Childress, Linda Drake and Jill Peacock

New In Attendance: Meghan Wilinski & Janine Idstein from Heartland Hospice Care from Rockford, IL

**Public Comment:** Meghan Wilinski & Janine Idstein explained there services Veteran Oriented. Provide education on what benefits are available, free of charge, Flyer provided with information. They need Volunteers see flyer. If we are interested, Donations for Veterans in Hospice can be set up, at our location here in DeKalb for drop off "Christmas for Veterans Collection".

#### **Meeting Minutes:**

October 2, 2017 minutes were reviewed. Motion was made by Chuck Fish to approve, Seconded by Bob Coulter. Motion passed unanimously.

#### **Treasurers Report:**

There is a balance of \$4,728.30 currently in the checking account. Gene Ege made a motion to accept the Treasurers report subject to audit. Seconded by Herb Holderman. Motion passed unanimously.

# Superintendents' Report:

Tammy Anderson & Luz Maria Gilkey reported that last month the Commission helped 16 Veterans and their families with shelter. There were 24 Veterans transported on 18 trips to the VA facilities. The Commission collected \$10,785.00 monthly benefits for Veterans and \$13,294.00 in retro payments for Veterans as well. Since our meeting, last month did not have all available expense account information available for September the actual amount of expenses that was paid was \$38,008.52. The October Expenses totaled \$\$37,210.43. Motion was made by Jim Cox to pay monthly bills. Seconded by Don Jones. The motion passed unanimously by roll call vote.

#### **Committee Report:**

Frank Beierlotzer reported on WLBK Let's Talk Turkey, Freezen' For Food & Memorial Day Breakfast see flyer for details

#### Old Business:

None

#### New Business: Nominations for elections

1) President - Bob Bend

- 2) Vice-President Celeste Latham
- 3) Secretary Luz Maria Gilkey
- 4) Treasurer John Davis
- 5) Director 2 position is open Randy Smith will not be running

Nominations were closed until next meeting and elections will be conducted as soon as nominations closed.

**Good of the Commission**: Mike Boorsma brought up the Vietnow issue Tammy Anderson addresses that there is no issue since it's the National that no longer exists since yesterday November 12, 2017. Any funds that they did have will be going to Fischer House and Operation Home Front.

Frank Beierlotzer mentioned that the Rockford Hospice did an excellent job but not to forget the DeKalb Hospice is very good as well and did a great job with his mother.

Being no further business, Steve Walz made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Mike Boorsma at 7:51pm.

Respectfully Submitted Luz Maria Gilkey Secretary



#### DEKALB COUNTY VETERANS ASSISTANCE COMMISSION REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER 2017 STATE OF THE BUDGET



### VA COUNSELING

Communication	Quantity	
Phone	227	
Office	136	
Outreach/Home Visits	136	
Email/Mail	51	
Fax	32	
Other/Forms	108	
Total Employee Communications	690	
Total Employee Activity	1153	

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#### VA AWARDANCE

	Monthly	Retro	Total Amount
This Month	\$3,245.00	\$3,836.00	\$7,081.00
To Date	\$111,790.12	\$249,419.75	\$361,209.87

#### EXPENDITURES

EXPENDITURES		
Direct Assistance to Veteran	(Itemized Below)	\$7,065.00
Vehicle Expenses	(Itemized Below)	\$526.77
Salaries & Benefits		\$27,434.61
Training & Meetings		\$1,702.46
Office Expenses		\$323.12
Building Space/Maintenance		\$0.00
Total		\$37,051.96
DIRECT ASSISTANCE TO VETERAN	1	
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Shelter	17	\$6,745.00
Other		\$0.00
Drivers Per Diem		\$320.00
Total	17	\$7,065.00
VEHICLE EXPENSES		
	Quantity	Amount
Trips	16	
Hours Donated	96	
Transported	18	
Miles	2758	
Fuel (gallon)	127.40	
Fuel Cost	\$1.92 per Gal	\$244.61
Maintenance		\$282.16
Total		\$526.77
SUMMARY		
	Percentage of Budget	Amount
BUDGET	100%	\$500,000.00
PREVIOUS EXPENDITURES (Jan to Present	nt) -81%	-\$403,765.25
EXPEDITURES	-7%	-\$37,051.96
BALANCE	12%	\$59,182.79

**Restricted Fund Balance** 

\$681,624.09



DeKalb County Veterans Assistance Commission Report for the month of November 2017 Veterans Assistance / Transportation



Towns	Shelter		Transportation	
	Amount	# of Vets	# of Vets	
Cortland			0	
DeKalb	\$ 3,945.00	10	10	
Fairdale				
Genoa				
Hinckley	\$ 400.00	1		
Kingston			0	
Kirkland			1	
Lee				
Malta			1	
Sandwich	\$ 400.00	1		
Shabbona	\$ 400.00	1		
Somonauk	\$ 400.00	1		
Sycamore	\$ 1,200.00	3	5	
Waterman			1	
Total	\$ 6,745.00	17	18	

# **DeKalb County Veterans Assistance Commission**

American Legion Posts 66, 99, 181, 337, 598, 654, 772, 1010 AmVets Post 90 DeKalb County VietNow Marine Corps League Detachment 847 Veterans of Foreign Wars Posts 1486, 2287, 5768 and 8387 40 et 8 Voiture 207





VietNow

# **2018 DCVAC Meeting Schedule**

2500 N. Annie Glidden Road, DeKalb, IL

January 8th \*February 5<sup>th</sup> March 12<sup>th</sup> April 9th May 14<sup>th</sup> June 11<sup>th</sup> July 9<sup>th</sup> August 13<sup>th</sup> September 10<sup>th</sup> \*October 15<sup>th</sup> \*November 5 December 10<sup>th</sup>

Approved: 08/14/2017

Celeste Latham Vice-President

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