



MEETING MINUTES

Committee: Veterans
Date: Monday, October 1, 2018
Time: 9:00 AM
Location: Health Services Center Board Room, 1225 Langlade Rd., Antigo, WI

The following discussion was held by the Committee at the meeting detailed above:

1. Meeting was called to order by Richard Schuh at 9:00 a.m.
2. Roll call was conducted.

Veterans Committee		
Name	Role	Status
Richard Schuh	Chairman	Present
Richard Hurlbert	Member	Present
John Medo	Member	Present
Non-Committee Members Present		
Name	Interest	
John Zenkovich	CVSO	
Mary Lex	Deputy CVSO	
Dan Kamps	Veterans Commission President	
Tommie Stuckert	Veterans Commission Member	
Marie Schuh		
Al Werwie		
Thomas Matucheski		
Sharon Matucheski		

3. The Committee recited the Pledge of Allegiance.
4. The Committee observed a moment of silence as the names of the Veterans that passed away since the last committee meeting were read.
5. Approval of previous meeting minutes. Motion by Hurlbert, Second by Medo to approve the meeting minutes from the September 10, 2018 meeting. All Ayes, No Nays. Motion carried.
6. A request was made for public comment on agenda items and the consideration of items to be added to future agendas.
7. Public Comment.

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Tommie Stuckert stated that he attended the reunion of the Radar Base and it was very nice. There were about 64 that attended the tour of the old base and about the same amount for the dinner after.

8. Veterans Office Update: John Zenkovich, Veterans Service Officer

John told the committee that their last Commission meeting of the year was coming up and the Commission would be discussing a new amount for needy Veterans that apply for help due to the increased funds raised by the fundraising event every year at Lakeside sponsored by the Antigo Radio Station. This year it will be held on November 9. Some suggestions are to serve chili and brats. Members of the various Veteran organizations volunteer to man the brat and food stand for the fundraiser.

John stated that new changes to the VA Health Care will take effect in June of 2019. A bill called the VA Mission Act has been passed and with it are some changes to the Choice Card Program. There are some changes to the Veterans Non Service Connected Pension. Asset limits are raised to \$123,600 and there is now a three year look back on asset diversion. This pension is for low income wartime Veterans or who are self pay in assisted living facilities or nursing homes. John reported he will be attending the finance meeting scheduled for October 2 to have his budget approved for 2019.

John brought up that the VA is changing ratings for different parts of the body for compensation claims. It will not affect Veterans that are already rated disabled. If you are now rated for a certain disability and it changes to a lower percentage you will be grandfathered in and remain the same percentage you are now.

John commented that the new Purple Heart Parking Sign is now up and out in the back lot and asked everyone to take a look at it.

9. Schedule next meeting. Next meeting scheduled for November 5, 2018 at 9:00 a.m. at the Health Services Center Board Room. Tentative December meeting date will be December 3, 2018 at 9:00 am at the Health Services Center Board Room.

10. Adjourn the meeting. Motion by Hurlbert to adjourn the meeting at 9:40 a.m. Second by Medo. All ayes. Motion carried.

Minutes transcribed and submittedⁱ by:

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County Clerk

Parties Involved