



Kossuth County Commission of Veterans Affairs

Daniel D. Green, Director

109 West State Street, Algona, Iowa 50511

Commissioner: Chairman - James Grandgenett
Commissioner: Vice Chairwoman/Secretary - Carole Bernhard
Commissioner: Kevin Molsberry
Commissioner: Troy Brandt
Commissioner: Gary Forsythe

Subject: Agenda, Kossuth County Commission of Veterans Affairs Monthly Meeting SEP 14th, 2023, at 4:45 p.m.

Location: Conference Room #110, Court House Annex, 109 West State Street, Algona, IA 50511

1. **Call to Order**
2. **Pledge of Allegiance and moment of silence for POW/MIA.**
3. **Roll Call.** Present:
Absent: _____
4. **Guests:** _____
5. **Review and Approval of previous monthly meeting minutes.**
6. **Old Business: METRICS**
 - a. Number of **Open Claims in System:** Open 51, Pending Development 15, Ready for decision 3, Secondary RFD 1, Ready for Work 0.
Number of Veteran Records: _____.
Number IA VET Trust Fund Applications previous month: 0.
Number IA VET Trust Fund Applications current month: 1-Pending
Number IA VET Trust fund approved YTD: 0
Number IA VET Trust fund disapproved YTD: 0
Number of VA Caregiver applications submitted previous month: 0
Number of VA Caregiver applications submitted current month: 0
Number of VA Caregiver applications approved YTD: 0
Home Improvement Structured Alterations (HISA) Grant YTD: 0
Home Improvement Structured Alterations Grant Pending: 1
Brushy Creek Honor Flight Applications mailed out 1
Iowa Veterans Home Application 1 YTD
 - b. **ACTIVITIES:** Update – Review Directors Activities for AUG (Handout).
 - c. **BUDGET:** Review of Monthly Expense Summary. AUGUST
 - d. **VETRPRO UPDATES: *VETRPRO Reports are a work in Progress (Not 100% accurate due to limit report features)**
 - Interactions/Utilization Reports Summary
 - Forms created/submitted **AUG 2023: 84**
 - Completed claims w/Decision **AUG2023* 2** Monthly award: \$3952.51 Retro: \$16092.42
 - Completed claims w/Decision **YTD*** Monthly award: \$30849.55 Retro: \$77345.57

- Completed claims w/Decision since using VETPRO on JUN2022 YTD (Manually input) Monthly Award: \$34,113.08 Retro: \$86332.27
- AD HOC Reports to date: Added 123 Veteran Dependents, Recorded the following amounts in system: Burial Allowance: \$18,179.00, Monthly Awards: \$454,611.80, Plot Internment: \$5285.00, Retroactive amounts: \$1,577,734.09

e. **TRAINING:**

- Dan enrolled TMS 5 CBT Courses 1. Bookmarking Service Treatment Records, Camp Lejune Claims Development, Intro VBMS eFolder, MST Claim Development, Gulf War Particulate Matter Claims development, Benefits Delivery at Discharge.
- Fall School will be 09-13OCT2023 Altoona at the Za Ga Zig Shrine Temple 1100 Shriners Parkway in Altoona. Commissioner training Monday 09OCT2023
- Mentor training with Hancock Co. VSO on 07SEP2023

f. **OUTREACH:** Dan attended the KC/PA ECD Breakfast in Whittemore on 26JUL2023

- Attended PH Day Aug 7th Whittemore.
- Attended Military Retiree Day DSM 17AUG2023.
- Scheduled for VSO Booth CCF 14SEP2023.

g. **DUE OUTS:**

- Due out Answers to Budget on increase of account line 03000 2626 21

h. **INFORMATION/Handouts:** What Every Veteran Should know: SEP23, Running Awards By County _____, Hotel Confirmation Packets, 2023 Fall School Agenda Commissioners and location map, IVH Flyer, PACT Act Flyer, VA Scammer Alert, VA Presumption Decision Process, VA Activities SEP2023

7. **New Business:**

a. Communication to/from the Commission.

- Discussion/Review Commissioner Training Altoona 09OCT2023 (Packets to Commissioners)
- Discussion/ Decision Change to OCT Commission Meeting to 19OCT23 ILO 12OCT23 (School)
- Discussion, Part time Assistance – VA Office (Tabled-Work in Progress)
- County Binders Estimate for Book 4 (WIP)

b. Commission remarks

8. **Motion to Adjourn.** Motion by _____ and seconded by _____ to adjourn. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at _____ p.m.