



Kossuth County Commission of Veterans Affairs

Daniel D. Green, Director

109 West State Street. Algona. Iowa 50511

President: James Grandgenett
1st Chairwoman: Kim Groesbeck
Vice Chairwoman: Carole Bernhard

Subject: Minutes, Kossuth County Commission of Veterans Affairs Monthly Meeting August 13, 2020 at 4:45p.m.

Location: Conference Room #110, Court House Annex, 109 West State Street, Algona, IA 50511; absent, Commissioner Kim Groesbeck.

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call.
3. Guests: ___NONE___
4. Review and Approval of previous monthly meeting minutes.
5. Old Business:
 - a. Number of Open Claims in System: 37. There are 3 claims pending development and 0 awaiting final submission. To date tracking 835 records of veterans.
 - b. Update Directors Activities for JULY2020. Director Green provided the spreadsheet for daily activities to the Commissioners.
 - c. The Commissioners and Director Green reviewed Activity Report 2020 to IDVA submitted (Grant monies). Monies received and turned over to Kossuth County Auditor for deposit.
 - d. The Commission received updates on VA AO Presumptive: Hypertension, Hypothyroid, Parkinson's, Bladder Cancer.
 - e. VSO Summer School at Camp Dodge 21-23JUL2020 was cancelled.
 - f. Update from US Court of Appeals on Wolfe v. Wilkie (Re-submission of denied medical care for reimbursement). Working 2 claims.
 - g. Outreach Activities: Pending a meeting with Community Health. Director Green has been assisting Winnebago Co and its veterans. He will also be talking with the city on the Veterans Park Memorial Statues. On 14 August he is doing a Veterans Information Day in Emmetsburg w/Cliff Christensen.

6. New Business:

- a. The Fall IACCVSO Conference has been cancelled.
 - b. Director Green's continued education requirements training is still in progress, still working on some connectivity issues with CBT Training.
 - c. The Commissioners discussed the 3 vs 5-member Commission; this is set to be addressed during next year's budget preparation.
 - d. A Cost analysis of a 3-person vs 5-person Commission was provided. All three Commissioners agreed that this would be a benefit and provide for continuous oversight, so if one Commissioner is not available a quorum would still be possible.
 - e. Director Green is going to complete a self-assessment of job performance in October for the Commission.
 - f. Communication from the Commission: Commissioner Bernhard asked about putting out a notice about upcoming annual TRICARE enrollment costs for the veterans in our area.
 - g. Commission remarks: None.
7. Motion to Adjourn. Motion by Jim and seconded by Carole to adjourn. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 17:25p.m.

SIGNED:

DATE