



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 11th, 2022 at 3:30p.m.

Location: Conference Room #110, Court House Annex, 109 West State Street, Algona, IA 50511 and Commissioner Bernhard via telecon.

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call; all present except Commissioner Bernhard due to illness.
3. Guests: NONE
4. Review and Approval of previous monthly meeting minutes: deferred until next month.
5. Old Business:
 - a. Number of Open Claims in System: 48. There are 1 claim pending development and 7 awaiting final submission. To date tracking 1073 records of veterans. There are 0 IA VET Trust fund applications pending submission from the previous month, 0 for the current month and 0 have been approved YTD. There are currently 0 VA caregiver applications pending submission. Home Improvement Structured Alteration (HISA) grant(s) is pending for 2022 is 2 and total YTD is 1.
 - b. Update Directors Activities: Director Green updated the Commission on activities for Jul 2022.
 - c. Budget Review: Director Green and the Commission reviewed the Jul 2022. Reviewed MFR pay for Director, Drivers, Commissioners and other assistance.
 - d. VetraSpec Reports: Director Green provided the following reports to the Commission: Monthly Retroactive Awards, Total Awards, 12-month projections and onetime payments, and Total Awards for 2022.
 - e. Training: Director Green trained the Hamilton Co. VSO with new hire training 5 Aug 22 and is assisting District 5 President w/Commissioner Training scheduled for 12 Aug 22.
 - f. Outreach Activities: Director Green supported Color Guard/Vets Night at the Races 21 Jul 2022, attended VFW District 10 meeting in Algona on 23 Jul 22, attended Communicating Across Generations Breakfast on 3 Aug 22, and is

scheduled for a speech at the Algona Senior Citizens Center on 17 Aug 22 and the Veterans' Booth at Clay Co Fair in Spencer on 17 Sep 22.

- g. Cost Analysis Update: Proposal to go from 3 to 5-person Commission is due out.
 - h. Information: Director Green provided the following: What Every Veteran Should Know AUG2022, Nuts and Bolts of the Pact ACT, DAV Pact ACT info, Special Asst. Tonya Peterson to Senator Ernst.
6. New Business:
- a. Communication from the Commission:
 - i. Prep for Director Green's new evaluation period—as needed.
 - ii. Discussed the VetPro Software Program (Veterans records) 90-day evaluation.
 - b. Commissioner Remarks: none.
7. Motion to Adjourn. Motion by Commissioner Groesbeck and seconded by Commissioner Grandgenett to adjourn. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 4:30 p.m.

SIGNED:

DATE