

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 January 13, 2021 at 4:45p.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; Director Green, Commissioners Grandgenett and Bernhard. Absent: Commissioner Groesbeck.
- 3. Guests: ___NONE__
- 4. Review and Approval of previous monthly meeting minutes: accepted and approved with minor correction of adding the Yearly Calendar to the handouts the Commission received.
- 5. Old Business:
 - a. Number of Open Claims in System: 48. There are 0 claims pending development and 7 awaiting final submission. To date tracking 1006 records of veterans. There are 1 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. No Home Improvement Structured Alteration (HISA) grants are pending for 2022. The Winnebago County claims have all been submitted and all decided except one.
 - b. Update Directors Activities: Director Green updated the Commission on activities for DEC2021.
 - c. Budget Review: Director Green and the Commission reviewed the 2023 Budget on 10JAN2023 and presented to the Kossuth County Board of Supervisors on 11JAN2023. Commissioner's Bernhard and Grandgenett reviewed and signed the quarterly Report.
 - d. Director Annual Evaluation: The Commissioner's reviewed with Director Green his Annual Evaluation and presented to the Kossuth County Board of Supervisors on 11JAN2023.

- e. GDX and METRICS Report: Director green provided corrected GDX Report and the KCVA Metrics for 2021.
- f. VetraSpec Reports: Director Green provided the following reports; VA Flexible funding for Homeless Vets, Suspension of Travel Board Hearings, CRDP/CRSC 2022 Open Season, Military Gray Area Retirees and MyPay, 2022 COLA, Surviving Spouses and DIC, VA Presumptive on Airborne Hazards and Open Pit Burn Registry, Dept. Public Safety Human Trafficking, KCEDC 2022 Business Survey, and Thank You's.
- g. Outreach Activities: None currently scheduled.
- 6. New Business:
 - a. Communication from the Commission:
 - i. Prep for Director Green's new evaluation period.
 - ii. Future plan for request to go from 3 to 5-person commission—tabled until February when a full Commission is available to discuss.
 - b. Request for part time assistant—tabled until further notice.
 - c. Commission Remarks:
 - i. Commissioner Bernhard asked Director Green to review the raise he proposed to the Board of Supervisors for the Transportation Drivers; she was concerned that we did not get a direct approval at the meeting.
 - ii. Commissioner Bernhard requested the March 10th meeting be pushed to the 17th, as she has a conflict in her schedule for that day.
- 7. Motion to Adjourn. Motion by Commissioner Bernhard and seconded by Commissioner Grandgenett to adjourn. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 5:42 p.m.

DATE