

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 June 15th, 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. Roll Call; Daniel Green, Carole Bernhard, Jim Grandgenett and Kim Groesbeck all present.
- 3. Guests: None
- 4. Review and Approval of previous monthly meeting minutes: Approved.
- 5. Old Business:

a. Number of Open Claims in System: 50; There are 21 claims pending development, Ready for decision, 5 and Ready for work 2 (Drill Pay). To date tracking 1162 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 is currently 1 VA caregiver application in process. Home Improvement Structured Alteration (HISA) grant(s) pending for 2023 is 1 and total YTD are 0. Director Green has mailed 1 Brushy Creek Honor Flight Applications mailed out. Director Green completed on 1 Iowa Veterans' Home Application.

b. Update Directors Activities: Director Green updated the Commission on activities for May 2023.

c. Budget Review: Director Green and the Commission reviewed the monthly expense summary. The Commission reviewed the draft quarterly report for April-June which is due in July. Additionally, the Commission reviewed Director Green's Annual Report State Grant monies FY23.

d. Reports: Director Green informed the Commission on the following VETRPRO Reports: Primary Form Submittals w/o a decision for May: 7 YTD: 42; Disability for May: 3; Interactions/Utilization Reports Summary, Forms created May: 107; and completed claims w/decision May: 0, Monthly Award: 0, Denials: 3; Completed Claims w/decision YTD 16; Monthly award: \$17,294.01, Retro: \$40,570.04. VetPro reports are a continued work in progress. e. Training: Director Green completed CBT QPR Training 30 May 2023 and NACVSO training virtually 5-8 June 2023.

f. Outreach Activities: Dan was scheduled for IA Workforce Development – Veteran Military Appreciation Day is 17 Jun 23 in Oneota Park Spencer, IA, however, is unable to attend due to funeral commitment.

g. Cost Analysis Update: None scheduled.

h. Information: Director Green provided the following: What Every Veteran Should Know JUN 2023, Running Awards by County-APR 2023, Weekly PACT Act report and Kossuth Co Public Records Policy.

6. New Business:

a. Communication from the Commission:

(1) Commission reviewed applications and selected four for interview, asking Director Green to hold the others on file.

(2) Discussion, Part time assistance—VA Office (tabled—until further notice)

(3) County Binders Estimate for Book 4 is still forthcoming—Director Green to follow-up with vendor.

b. Commissioner Remarks: Asked Director Green to schedule applicant interviews for June 22, 2023 beginning at 5pm.

7. Motion to Adjourn. Motion by Commissioner Grandgenett and seconded by Commissioner Groesbeck to adjourn. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 6:00 p.m.

SIGNED:

DATE