



Kossuth County Commission of Veterans Affairs

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Commissioner: President/Secretary – Carole Bernhard

Commissioner: Kevin Molsberry

Commissioner: Troy Brandt

Commissioner: Gary Forsythe

Commissioner: James Hartshorn

Subject: Agenda, Kossuth County Commission of Veterans Affairs Monthly Meeting JUN12th, 2025, 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: _____
- 3a. **“May be possible closed session pursuant to Iowa Code Section 21.5(a)(k)”**
4. **Guests:** _____
5. **Review and Approval of previous monthly meeting minutes.**
6. **Old Business:**
7. **METRICS Total Veteran Records: 1260, Active Records: 1003**
 - Number of Open claims in VBMS: 33
 - Claims Ready for decision in VBMS: 3
 - Claims Rating Decision Complete: 0
 - Claims undergoing development: 13
 - Claim response – rework to VA: 2
 - Healthcare Applications Pending: 0
 - CHAMP VA Claims Pending: 1
 - Claims suspended -nonaction: 2 (B6447, C1268)
8. **Other Federal and State Programs**
 - Number of Iowa Veteran Trust Funds (IVTF) application submitted/approved YTD: **None**
 - Number of Veterans in the IA Veterans Home from County: **1**
 - Number of Home Improvement Structured Alterations (HISA) Grants: **1**
9. **ACTIVITIES:** Update – Review Directors Activities MAY (Handout).
 - Interactions VETPRO Month of **MAY**
 - **BUDGET:** Review of Monthly Expense Summary MAY (Handout).
Review expenditures of 10K IDVA state grant - draft
 - **VETPRO UPDATES:** *VETPRO Reports are a work in Progress (Not 100% accurate due to limited report features)
 - Interactions/Utilization Reports Summary: MAY2025

- **Activity Workload Report:** Added New Person **24**, Created Actions **31**, Created forms **96**, Submissions **23**, Uploaded files **171**, Entered Decisions **18**, Entered Interactions **170**.
- **Completed claims w/Decision MAY2025*** Monthly award: **\$17975.77** Retro: **\$37,471.33**
- **Completed claims w/Decision YTD*** Monthly award: **\$48,176.37** Retro: **\$131,718.60**

AD HOC Reports developed (Works In Progress) tracking in system: Numbers will be adjusted based upon transfers in and out of the county, deaths of veterans and new claims adjudicated and recorded in the program.

SYSTEM SPOUSE DIC **\$45,168.06** RETRO: **\$245,564.91**
 SYSTEM SPOUSE Survivor Pension **\$16,364.14** RETRO: **\$41,640.00**
 SYSTEM VETERAN Compensation **\$787,557.00** RETRO: **\$2,891,242.63**
 SYSTEMVETERAN Pension **\$41,251.15** RETRO: **\$142,209.80**
 SYSTEM VETERAN Burials Service Connected: **\$44,000.00**
 SYSTEM VETERAN Burials Non-Service Connected: Burial **\$9897.00** Plot Allowance, **\$11,981.00** Transportation – re-imbursement: **\$5,175.00**
 SYSTEM VETERANS Rated Individual Unemployability (IU): **17**
 SYSTEM VETERANS Rated Total and Permanent 100% **66**
 SYSTEM ACCRUED BENEFITS/Month of death: **\$156,936.09**

- **TRAINING:**
 - Completed Elements Necessary for Service Connection – Amy K 28MAY2025
 - Completed SBPH Into to MIL Culture, Families & Deployments 05JUN2025
 - Registered for National Conference in Kentucky 13-18JUL2025
- **OUTREACH:**
 - Mobile Medical Unit scheduled was here on 07 April 2025, next schedule is for June 2025
- **DUE OUTS:**
 - County Binders Estimate for Book

INFORMATION HANDOUTS: What Every Veteran Should Know MAY, IA Workforce Newsletter JUN2025, IA Benefits Report APR, County VA Benefits Report APR, VBA Annual Benefits Report FY 2024 Extract.

10. New Business:

- Communication to/from the Commission.
 - Discussion Veteran rental assistance
 - Discussion Indigent Veteran Burial
 - Review Discussion Dept. Continuity of Operations Plan (COOP)
- Commission remarks.

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