



Kossuth County Commission of Veterans Affairs

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109 West State Street. Algona. Iowa 50511

Commissioner: Chairman -

Commissioner: Vice Chairwoman/Secretary - Carole Bernhard

Commissioner: Kevin Molsberry

Commissioner: Troy Brandt

Commissioner: Gary Forsythe

Subject: Agenda, Kossuth County Commission of Veterans Affairs Monthly Meeting March 20th, 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:
4. **Guests:** _____
5. **Review and Approval of previous monthly meeting minutes.**
6. **Old Business: METRICS (Veteran Records: (1248)**
 - Number of Open claims in VBMS: 34
 - Claims Ready for decision in VBMS: 9
 - Claims Rating Decision Complete: 1
 - Claims undergoing development: 19
 - Claim response – rework to VA: 1
 - Healthcare Applications Pending: None
 - CHAMP VA Claims Pending: None
 - Claims suspended -nonaction: None
7. **Other Federal and State Programs**
 - Number of Iowa Veteran Trust Funds (IVTF) application submitted/approved YTD: None
 - Number of Home Improvement Structured Alterations (HISA) Grants: None
 - Number of Veterans in the IA Veterans Home from County: 1
 - **ACTIVITIES:** Update – Review Directors Activities FEB (Handout).
 - **BUDGET:** Review of Monthly Expense Summary FEB (Handout).
 - **VETPRO UPDATES: *VETPRO Reports are a work in Progress (Not 100% accurate due to limited report features)**
 - Interactions/Utilization Reports Summary: **FEB2025**
 - Forms created **104** Forms scanned and submitted **65**
 - Completed claims w/Decision **JAN/FEB25*** Monthly award: **\$8,727.05** Retro: **\$22,047.13**
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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: **\$245,564.90**
SYSTEM SPOUSE Survivor Pension **\$15,543.14** RETRO: **\$40,197.00**
SYSTEM VETERAN Compensation **\$720,891.14** RETRO: **\$2,781,295.16**
SYSTEM VETERAN Pension **\$33,860.15** RETRO: **\$1135,617.80**
SYSTEM VETERAN Burials Service Connected: **\$42,000.00**
SYSTEM VETERAN Burials Non-Service Connected: Burial **\$9897.00** Plot Allowance, **\$11,981.00** Transportation – re-imbursement: **\$4,095.00**
SYSTEM VETERANS Rated Individual Unemployability (IU): **15**
SYSTEM VETERANS Rated Total and Permanent 100% **60**
SYSTEM ACCRUED BENEFITS/Month of death: **\$156,936.09**

- **TRAINING:**
 - Registered to attend State Spring Conference 14-18APR2024
 - Awaiting registration for National Conference in Kentucky 13-18JUN2025
 - Pending schedule of Advanced Appeals 2025
- **OUTREACH:**
 - Mobile Medical Unit was here on 03 March 2025
 - Mobile Medical Unit scheduled to be here on 07 April 2025
- **DUE OUTS:**
 - County Binders Estimate for Book
- **INFORMATION/Handouts:** What Every Veteran Should Know March, Running Awards By County FEB/MAR, VA Contracts and Reductions.

8. New Business:

- Communication to/from the Commission.
 - Work in progress – hire additional driver
 - Review Discussion Commissioner Applications
 - Review Discussion Dept. Continuity of Operations Plan (COOP)
 - Review Discussion Commissioner Training 18 March 2025
 - Review of submitted applications for the Commissioner to date.
- Commission remarks.

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