



Kossuth County Commission of Veterans Affairs

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Commissioner: Kevin Molsberry Vice Chairman

Commissioner: Troy Brandt

Commissioner: Gary Forsythe

Commissioner: James Hartshorn

Subject: Agenda, Kossuth County Commission of Veterans Affairs Monthly Meeting **13 November 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: 1275, Active Records: 1018**
 - Number of Open claims in VBMS: 25
 - Claims Ready for decision in VBMS: 1
 - Claims Rating Decision Complete: 0
 - Claims undergoing development: 18
 - Claim response – rework to VA: 3
 - Healthcare Applications Pending: 1
 - CHAMP VA Claims Pending: 2
 - Congressional Submitted: 2
 - Claims suspended -nonaction: 3
8. **Other Federal and State Programs**
 - Number of Iowa Veteran Trust Funds (IVTF) application submitted 0 /approved 1 YTD: 1
 - Number of Veterans in the IA Veterans Home from County: **1 YTD**
 - Number of Home Improvement Structured Alterations (HISA) Grants: **1 YTD**
9. **ACTIVITIES:** Update – Review Directors Activities **OCT** (Handout).
 - **BUDGET:** Review of Monthly Expense Summary **OCT** (Handout).
 - **VETPRO UPDATES:** *VETPRO Reports are a work in Progress (Not 100% accurate due to limited report features)

- **Interactions/Utilization** Reports Summary: **OCTOBER**
- **Activity Workload Report:** Added New Person **17**, Created Actions **29**, Created forms **112**, Submissions **35**, Uploaded files **193**, Entered Decisions **19**, Entered Interactions **153**.
- **Completed claims w/Decision** OCT 2025* Monthly award: **\$1,904.21** Retro: **\$8,114.55**
- **Completed claims w/Decision YTD*** Monthly award: **\$61,067.84** Retro: **\$191,085.20**

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 **\$50,946.33** RETRO: **\$256,390.8**
 SYSTEM SPOUSE Survivor Pension **\$12,126.14** RETRO: **\$32,142.00**
 SYSTEM VETERAN Compensation **\$857,248.30** RETRO: **3,131,159.00**
 SYSTEMVETERAN Pension **\$39,353.41** RETRO: **\$125,130.80**
 SYSTEM VETERAN Burials Service Connected: **\$46,000.00**, Transportation reimbursement **\$750.00**
 SYSTEM VETERAN Burials Non-Service Connected: Burial **\$12,855.00** Plot Allowance, **\$14,939.00** Transportation – re-imburement: **\$6,075.00**
 SYSTEM VETERANS Rated Individual Unemployability (IU): **16**
 SYSTEM VETERANS Rated Total and Permanent 100% **73**
 SYSTEM ACCRUED BENEFITS/Month of death: **\$161,574.20**

- **TRAINING:**
 - Completed IDVA Fall School 21-23OCT2025, Commissioners completed 13OCT25
 - Completed online Training TDIU (Individual Unemployability)
- **OUTREACH:**
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- **DUE OUTS:**
 - WIP County Binders estimate on grave book 4

INFORMATION HANDOUTS: What Every Veteran Should Know October & November, VA GDX Report by State-Co., HF 1000 Bill to establish a VSO Grant Program, KCVA Emergency Contact Info, Boots to Suits 1-14NOV, Veterans Luncheon 9NOV Luverne, 1st Annual Honor Flight Ball 15NOV,

10. New Business:

- Communication to/from the Commission.
 - Review GDX Report Info for 2024.
 - Review Discussion Dept. Continuity of Operations Plan (COOP) WIP Ongoing
 - Grave Records scanning – Book 4 Mr. Morey WIP
- Commission remarks.

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