



Kossuth County Commission of Veterans Affairs

Daniel D. Green, Director

109 West State Street. Algona. Iowa 50511

Commissioner/Chairman/Secretary – Troy Brandt

Commissioner: Kevin Molsberry Vice Chairman

Commissioner: Gary Forsythe

Commissioner: James Hartshorn

Commissioner: John Hyink

Subject: Agenda, Kossuth County Commission of Veterans Affairs Monthly Meeting **12MAR2026**.

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: 1288, Active Records: 1029**

Number of Open claims in VBMS: 21

Claims Ready for decision in VBMS: 0

Claim Secondary Ready for Decision: 0

Claims Rating Decision Complete: 0

Claims undergoing development: 18

Claim response – rework to VA: 0

Healthcare Applications Pending: 1

CHAMP VA Claims Pending: 1

Congressional Submitted: 2

Claims suspended -nonaction: 0

8. **Other Federal and State Programs**

Number of Iowa Veteran Trust Funds (IVTF) application **2- Drafted; 1 approved YTD**

Number of Veterans in the IA Veterans Home from County: **1 YTD**

Number of Home Improvement Structured Alterations (HISA) Grants: **1 approved YTD**

9. **ACTIVITIES:** Update – Review Directors Activities FEB (Handout).

• **BUDGET:** Review of Monthly Expense Summary FEB (Handout).

• **VETPRO UPDATES:** *VETPRO Reports are a work in Progress (Work in progress due to limited report features)

• **Interactions/Utilization** Reports Summary: **FEBRUARY**

- **Activity Workload Report Monthly:** Added New Person **11**, Created Actions **22**, Created forms **92**, Submissions **24**, Uploaded files **183**, Entered Decisions **25**, Entered Interactions **133**.
- **Completed claims w/Decision FEB2026*** Monthly award: **\$7236.38** Retro: **\$8105.12**
- **Completed claims w/Decision YTD*** Monthly award: **\$10837.72** Retro: **\$12696.87**

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, spouses and new claims adjudicated and recorded in the program.

SYSTEM SPOUSE DIC **CUMLATIVE: \$52,383.99** RETRO: **\$256,390.8**
 SYSTEM SPOUSE Survivor Pension **CUMLATIVE: \$14,645.15** RETRO: **\$34,124.00**
 SYSTEM VETERAN Compensation **CUMLATIVE: \$901,752.40** RETRO: **3,242,915.00**
 SYSTEM VETERAN Pension **CUMLATIVE: \$45,043.41** RETRO: **\$136,936.83**
 SYSTEM VETERAN Burials Service-Connected **YTD: \$0.00**, Transportation reimbursement **\$0.00**
 SYSTEM VETERAN Burials Non-Service-Connected **YTD: Burial \$0.00** Plot Allowance, **\$0.00** Transportation – re-imbusement: **\$0.00**
 SYSTEM VETERANS Rated Individual Unemployability (IU) **CUMLATIVE: 17**
 SYSTEM VETERANS Rated Total and Permanent 100% **CUMLATIVE: 75**
 SYSTEM ACCRUED BENEFITS/Month of death **YTD: \$0.00**

- **TRAINING:**
 - Completed IA American legion training 14FEB2026 4.0 CEU's obtained
 - Completed 1.5 hrs training HLR's and Informal Conference
- **OUTREACH:**
 - VA MMU was here on 02MAR2026
- **DUE OUTS:**
 - None

INFORMATION HANDOUTS: What Every Veteran Should Know Month of MARCH 2026, VA RO Stakeholders report, Email Commissioner Login IACVS Website, Assessor email on SF 2124, Quick look VSO Annual Training Requirements

10. New Business:

- Communication to/from the Commission. Swearing in John H, Signature approval for routine authorization to pay warrants/claims of the department as required.
- VSO Outreach Activities
- HIPPI/PII Training State of IA <https://courseforhipaa.com/states/lowa>
- Discussion/planning Commission Outreach Activities
- Discussion/Planning for part-time assistant for KCVa Department
- Commission remarks.

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