Kossuth County Commission of Veterans Affairs

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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 **14MAY2026.**

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**: 1294, **Active Records**: 1033
   Number of Open claims in VBMS: 27
   Claims Ready for decision in VBMS: 2
   Claim Secondary Ready for Decision: 0
   Claims Rating Decision Complete: 0
   Claims undergoing development:
   Claim response – rework to VA: 1
   Healthcare Applications Pending: 0
   CHAMP VA Claims Pending: 1 Congressional
   Congressional Submitted: 3 Discharge, 1 Awards/Medals, 1 Correct DD214 Admin
   Claims suspended -nonaction: 0

8. **Other Federal and State Programs**
   Number of Iowa Veteran Trust Funds (IVTF) application **1- 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 **APR** (Handout).

- **BUDGET:** Review of Monthly Expense Summary **APR (**Handout).
  - **VETRPRO UPDATES: *VETPRO Reports are a work in Progress (Work in progress due to limited report features)**
    - **Interactions/Utilization** Reports Summary: **APR**

- **Activity Workload Report Monthly**: Added New Person **20**, Created Actions **19**, Created forms **62,** Submissions **19,** Uploaded files **175**, Entered Decisions **15**, Entered Interactions **145**.
- **Completed claims w/Decision APR2026***Monthly award: **$4,767.00** Retro: **$0.00**
- **Completed claims w/Decision YTD*** Monthly award**: $28,431.28 Retro: $43,507.95**

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**: **$54,083.35** RETRO: **$256,390.8**
SYSTEM SPOUSE Survivor Pension **CUMLATIVE**: **$16,203.14 RETRO**: **$34,124.00**
SYSTEM VETERAN Compensation **CUMLATIVE**: **$929,507.10 RETRO: 3,296,885.00**
SYSTEMVETERAN Pension **CUMLATIVE**: **$47,565.91** RETRO: **$142,336.80**
SYSTEM VETERAN Burials Service-Connected **YTD**: **$2000.00**, Transportation reimbursement **$780.00**
SYSTEM VETERAN Burials Non-Service-Connected **YTD**: Burial **$2004.00** Plot Allowance, **$1002.00** Transportation – re-imbursement: **$1,722.00**
SYSTEM VETERANS Rated Individual Unemployability (IU) **CUMLATIVE:** 17
SYSTEM VETERANS Rated Total and Permanent 100% **CUMLATIVE**: 78
SYSTEM ACCRUED BENEFITS/Month of death **YTD**: **$2277.15**

- **TRAINING**:
  - Completed Online Single Subject Training Regulatory Protections by DSM RO
  - Did not attend IACVS Training Spring Conference Johnston

- **OUTREACH:**
  - VA MMU was here 06APR2026 Election Center
- **DUE OUTS:**
  - None

INFORMATION HANDOUTS: What Every Veteran Should Know MAY2026, IDVA 2466 Update Letter, 2026 IA Legislative Update, Dept VA Iowa Statistics,

10. **New Business**:

- VSO Outreach Activities
- HIPP/PII Training State of IA https://courseforhipaa.com/states/Iowa
- 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.