



**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 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: Troy, Kevin, Gary, Jim, John \_\_\_\_\_  
Absent: \_\_\_\_\_ N/A \_\_\_\_\_

**3a. "May be possible closed session pursuant to Iowa Code Section 21.5(a)(k)"**

4. **Guests:** \_\_\_\_\_ *None* \_\_\_\_\_

**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: **15**

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).

- **VETPRO 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-imburement: **\$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
  - National Conference VIA Web in office
  - Signed up for The American Legion (TAL) 101, in July
- **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
- HIPPP/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.
- Humboldt County VSO resigned
- Commissioners to check into advertising, VSO hours, level for county benefits, interview questions, minutes for meetings, open meeting rules IA Code 21 for help for Humboldt Commissioners

**11. Motion to Adjourn.** Motion by Kevin and seconded by Gary to adjourn. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 6:11 p.m.

Commissioner Signature



Date

11 JUN 2026.