



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 11JUN2026.

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: 1297, Active Records: 1034

Number of Open claims in VBMS: 39

Claims Ready for decision in VBMS: 1

Claim Secondary Ready for Decision: 0

Claims Rating Decision Complete: 0

Claims undergoing development: 17

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 MAY (Handout).

- **BUDGET:** Review of Monthly Expense Summary MAY (Handout).

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

- **Interactions/Utilization Reports Summary: MAY**

- **Activity Workload Report Monthly:** Added New Person **15**, Created Actions **23**, Created forms **94**, Submissions **25**, Uploaded files **159**, Entered Decisions **11**, Entered Interactions **131**.
- **Completed claims w/Decision MAY2026*** Monthly Award: **\$2101.32** Retro: **\$0.00**
- **Completed claims w/Decision YTD*** Monthly award: **\$30,532.60** 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 **CUMULATIVE: \$54,083.35** RETRO: **\$256,390.8**
 SYSTEM SPOUSE Survivor Pension **CUMULATIVE: \$16,203.14** RETRO: **\$34,124.00**
 SYSTEM VETERAN Compensation **CUMULATIVE: \$939,380.60** RETRO: **3,320,053.00**
 SYSTEM VETERAN Pension **CUMULATIVE: \$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 \$2982.00** Plot Allowance, **\$1002.00** Transportation – re-imbursement: **\$1,722.00**
 SYSTEM VETERANS Rated Individual Unemployability (IU) **CUMULATIVE: 17**
 SYSTEM VETERANS Rated Total and Permanent 100% **CUMULATIVE: 79**
 SYSTEM ACCRUED BENEFITS/Month of death **YTD: \$2277.15**

- **TRAINING:**
 - Completed training NACVSO Conference Reno NV virtually 31MAY26-05JUN2026
- **OUTREACH:**
- **DUE OUTS:**
 - Pending training District 5 in Ft. Dodge IA on 12JUN2026
 - Pending training with new CVSO ft. Dodge, Webster County date TBD
 - Working with Humboldt Co. Commission on re-establishing CVSO operations for their county. New hire interviews is on 10JUN2026 at 10:00am. Completed initial assessment and provided to Commissioners along with budget update. Need to complete annual grant report.

INFORMATION HANDOUTS: What Every Veteran Should Know JUN2026, IDVA Letter CVSO Education and Accreditation Policy, IA VA Benefits Stakeholder Report Apr2026, Extract SF 2472 pgs 55-58 addressing property tax's and tax exemption for surviving spouses and veterans.

10. New Business:

- VSO Outreach Activities
- HIPPI/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.