KOSSUTH
COUNTY

**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 **10SEP2026**

Location: Conference Room #110, Court House Annex, 109 West State Street, Algona, IA 50511

1. **Call to Order 4:00 PM**
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)"**

**3b. Public notice open meetings HF2490. Discussion/Decision KCVA Resolution Open meetings**

4. **Guests:** _____*None*_____
5. **Review and Approval of previous monthly meeting minutes.**
6. **Old Business;**
7. **METRICS Total Veteran Records**:1306, **Active Records**: 1041
   Number of Open claims in VBMS: 45
   Claims Ready for decision in VBMS: 0
   Claim Secondary Ready for Decision: 0
   Claims Rating Decision Complete: 0
   Claims undergoing development: 21
   Claim response – rework to VA: 1
   Healthcare Applications Completed YTD: 13 Pending: 1
   CHAMP VA Claims Completed YTD 2 Pending 1
   Congressional Submitted: 3 Discharge, 1 Correct DD214 Admin **No change**
   Claims suspended -nonaction: 1 Claims, KCVAM8719

8. **Other Federal and State Programs**
   Number of Iowa Veteran Trust Funds (IVTF) application **1 approved YTD, 1-Pending Dental**
   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 **JULY**(Handout).
   **REVIEW/Discussion IDVA 10K State Grant Report of Activities FY-26 – Awaiting Funds from IDVA as of 09SEP2026**

10. **VETRPRO UPDATES: *VETPRO Reports are a work in Progress (Work in progress due to limited report features Calendar Year)**
    - **Interactions/Utilization** Reports Summary: AUGUST
    - **Activity Workload Report Monthly**: Added New Person **13**, Created Actions **44,** Created forms **147,** Submissions **45,** Uploaded files **276**, Entered Decisions **17,** Entered Interactions **219.**
    - **Completed claims w/Decision AUG2026***Monthly Award: **$8,923.24** Retro: **$5,365.21**
    - **Completed claims w/Decision YTD*** Monthly award**: $44,931.84 Retro: $54,556.56**

**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**: **$1,005,166.79 RETRO: $3,383,422.90**
SYSTEMVETERAN Pension **CUMLATIVE**: **$49,143.91** RETRO: **$142,336.80**
SYSTEM VETERAN Burials Service-Connected **YTD**: **$4,000.00**, Transportation reimbursement **$780.00**
SYSTEM VETERAN Burials Non-Service-Connected **YTD**: Burial **$5,988.00** Plot Allowance, **$4,008.00** Transportation – re-imbursement: **$2896.00**
SYSTEM VETERANS Rated Individual Unemployability (IU) **CUMLATIVE:** 17
SYSTEM VETERANS Rated Total and Permanent 100% **CUMLATIVE**: 82
SYSTEM ACCRUED BENEFITS/Month of death **YTD**: **$2277.15**

11. **TRAINING**:
    - IACVS CBT Tng Awards, Narratives, Code Sheets and DBQ's
    - Nomination by the American Legion for course 201.

12. **OUTREACH:**
    - VA Mobile VAN scheduled for October 5th, 2026

13. **DUE OUTS:**
    - Drafting cost analysis for additional part-time person for the department.
    - Drafting cost analysis for additional PSA w/KLGA "Coffee Corner" etc...WIP

**INFORMATION HANDOUTS**: What Every Veteran Should Know SEP2026, IDVA IA Disabled veterans Tax credit Letter, IDVA Letter State Grant Authorization Letter dated 18AUG2026, IA VA/Count Benefits Report JUL2026, IACVS Email from President D. Peterson NACVSO Delegate Meeting, CVSO Act, TCVA Act, Fall School

14. **New Business**:
    - HIPP/PII Training State of IA https://courseforhipaa.com/states/Iowa ( Training to be after the Oct 8th 2026 regular meeting in the Conference Room #110)
    - Discussion/planning Commission Outreach Activities (Discussion was made about having an outreach event at HyVee in Algona on Veterans Day Nov 11th 2026)
    - Discussion/Commission training this fall/winter – January (Talk of maybe being able to participate in the day at the Capital)
    - Discussion/Planning for part-time assistant for KCVA Department (Still a work in process)

Commission remarks.

15. **Motion to Adjourn**. Motion by _Jim_____ and seconded by _Kevin_____ to adjourn. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at _____5;45_____ p.m.

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Troy A Brandt
Chairman