



Winnebago County

The Wave of the Future

**VETERANS SERVICE COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 2024**

A. Call to Order

Tom Snider called the meeting to order at 11:10 am.

Present: Lydia Wilz, Tim Paterson, Jerry Schultz, Tom Snider, and Roy Rogers

Others Present: Jon Plato, & Ethan Hollenberger

B. Approval of Meeting Agenda

Tom Snider made a motion for acceptance of the meeting agenda. Jerry Schultz so moved, second by Roy Rogers. All ayes; motion carried.

C. Public Comments

Tom Snider called for Public Comments. Tim Paterson made mention of the fact that DAV Chapter 17 has a competition each year and his son entered it. His son made it all the way to Nationals and took 2nd place. Tim wanted to make a point to applaud the local DAV Chapter for doing this.

D. Approval of Minutes

Tom Snider requested the approval of the meeting minutes dated 10/10/2024. Roy Rogers so moved, seconded by Tim Paterson. Tom Snider abstained. All ayes; motion carried.

1. Approval of 10/10/2024 Minutes

E. Reports and Updates

1. General Office Updates

1) Budget went well. The Board seemed to be in full support of our office. The only amendment made was to our reclassification in regard to our Director. This will be looked at again in a few months.

2) Planning the Winnebago County Fair is in full swing. We are working with the Winnebago County Fair Board to make one day completely focused on Veterans.

3) Winneconne Outreach will be November 21st, 2024.

2. Director of Veterans Services Update

Ethan Hollenberger was present at today's meeting to give us an update on the Director's position. Del Vopel accepted the offer to be Director of Veterans Services. He will begin January 6th, 2025 so long as the County Board Appoints him on November 19th. Lydia will continue as Interim Director until further notice.

3. Federal, State, and Local Legislative Updates

1) The CVSO Act is at a pause. Tom has a 1:00 phone call with Washington today. He will update us with any news on this Act.

2) Purple Heart Signs have been ordered and they will have an unveiling once they arrive and Highway Department gives us the greenlight.

F. Closed Session

We will convene in closed session for the purpose of acting on applications for financial, medical, social, or personal histories for such applicants, which if discussed in public would be likely to have a substantial adverse effect upon the reputation of any person referred to in such histories or date, as provided in sec. 19.85[f], Wisconsin State Statute.

Tom Snider made a motion to go into closed session. Tim Paterson so moved, seconded by Jerry Schultz. All ayes; motion carried.

1. Review confidential case applications for aid under Wisconsin Statutes 45.81(3)

Tom Snider made a motion to come out of closed session. Tim Paterson so moved, seconded by Jerry Schultz. All ayes; motion carried.

G. Financial Report

An amount was approved but will remain open until the need is no longer necessary. Therefore, the Financial Report will be updated once the discussed application is closed out.

1. Approval of applications for aid under Wisconsin State Statute 45.81(3) and review of remaining aid to needy veterans under Wisconsin State Statute 45.86.

The remaining balance in the Fox Valley Veterans Council Account is \$0.

In total, we have \$6,957.05 left in our VSC Funds.

Tom Snider made a motion to approve the Financial Report. Tim Paterson so moved, seconded by Jerry Schultz. All ayes; motion carried.

H. Next Meeting Date

The next meeting is December 12th, 2024 at 11:00 am at Parkview Health Center: 725 Butler Avenue, Oshkosh, WI 54901.

I. Adjourn

AT 12:18 pm Tom Snider made a motion to adjourn. Tim Paterson so moved, seconded by Roy Rogers. All ayes; motion carried.