Randy Schmidt
President

Joe Destro
Vice President

Jim Hoessle
Secretary

Phill Grassa
Commissioner

Jack Forster
Commissioner

Medina County Veterans Service Commission
210 Northland Drive – Medina, Ohio 44256 – PH: (330) 722-9368 – FAX: (330) 722-9378
E-mail: veterans@medinacountyveterans.org – Website: www.medinacountyveterans.org

January 10, 2020

Minutes for the Medina County Veterans Service Commission Meeting January 9, 2020

The meeting was called to order by the President, Mr. Schmidt, who called for the Pledge of Allegiance. Mr. Destro, Mr. Forster, Mr. Grassa and Mr. Hoessle were present.

The minutes from the December 12, 2019 regular meeting were read. Mr. Destro moved, and Mr. Forster seconded the motion to accept the minutes as read; motion carried.

Executive Session

Mr. Grassa moved, and Mr. Forster seconded a motion to enter into executive session to discuss Veterans Service Commission applications.

Mr. Destro	Yes
Mr. Forster	Yes
Mr. Grassa	Yes
Mr. Hoessle	Yes
Mr. Schmidt	Yes

The Commissioners returned to regular session.

Appeals presented to the Commission:

Name	Present	Granted	Resolution #
1. Michelle House	No	Yes	#006-01-20
2. Geraldine Capiot *(Widow of Leonard Capiot)*	No	No	N/A

Operational bills were presented to the Commissioners in the amount of $6,352.11. Mr. Forster moved, and Mr. Grassa seconded the motion to accept and pay the bills as presented, motion carried. *(Resolution #001-01-20)*

Demand operational bills paid prior to the board meeting in the amount of $404.15 were reviewed by the Commissioners. Mr. Grassa moved, and Mr. Destro seconded the motion to accept the paid bills as presented, motion carried. *(Resolution #002-01-20)*

Financial assistance investigations were conducted, and financial assistance was granted. There was a total of 30 cases. Mr. Hoessle moved, and Mr. Grassa seconded the motion to accept cases, pay bills and process cash grants totaling $20,155.65; motion carried. *(Resolution #003-01-20)*

There were no indigent burial applications to be presented to the board.

RESOLUTIONS:

- Mr. Hoessle moved and Mr. Grassa seconded the motion to approve a new Dental Program through the Medina County Health Department; motion carried. *(Resolution #004-01-20)*
- Mr. Forester moved and Mr. Hoessle seconded the motion to approve the 2020 Travel Budget; motion carried. (#005-01-20)

SERVICE OFFICER'S REPORT

Client data for the month of December:

- 5 new applicants for financial assistance and 25 old cases for a total of 30 cases.
- 0 ineligible financial assistance applications
- 38 Compensation and Pension claims filed with the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA).
- 186 appointments for the month
- 93 van riders

OSACVSO, NACVSO & OSACVSC

Future Trainings and Funding:

- March 5, 2020 – March 6, 2020 OSACVSO Winter Quarterly (Boggs, Slonaker & Zackery)

EVENTS

Past:

- December 13, 2019 – Benefits Briefing at Huntington Square Apartments (Boggs & Zackery)

Future:

- March 16, 2020 – Jeffersonian Dinner with Leadership Medina County
- March 27, 2020 – 1:30 PM Benefits Briefing at Soprema Senior Center
- March 30, 2020 – Vietnam Veterans Day
- March 31, 2020 – Vietnam Veterans Summit in Brunswick.

OTHER

Travel:

- January 10, 2020 – January 14, 2020 - NACVSO BOD Meeting in Atlanta, GA (Zackery) – (TRAVEL IS AT NO EXPENSE TO MEDINA COUNTY)
- February 23, 2020 – March 4, 2020 – NACVSO LEG. Conf./ NACO Leg. Conference in Washington, D.C. (Zackery) - (TRAVEL IS AT NO EXPENSE TO MEDINA COUNTY)

COMMISSIONERS ACTIVITY REPORT

Mr. Destro: VVA Board Meeting, VVA Membership Meeting, Veterans Memorial Hall Meeting, AMVETS Membership Meeting and Assisted with presentation on the Dachau Nazi Concentration Camp.
Mr. Forster: December: IX Center Veterans Meeting & Prep (4 Hrs.), Marine Corps League Toys for Tots (5 Hrs.), VFW Wheelchair repairs (3 Hrs.) and American Legion #202 Meeting (3 Hrs.) January: Home Core Meeting (3 Hrs.), VFW #5137 Meeting (4 Hrs.) and VSO Meeting (4 Hrs.)
Mr. Grassa: December: VSO Meeting and VFW #5137 Honor Guard January: VSO Meeting, Home Corp Hall painting and Home Corp Hall Meeting.
Mr. Hoessle: American Legion #202: Buckeye Boys State, Treasurer, Adjutant and Honor Guard, VFW Post #5137: Building & Grounds Maintenance, Honor Guard and Troop 5137 Boy Scout Troop Advisor.
Mr. Schmidt: September: VFW Meeting, DAV #72 Meeting, Marine Corps League Meeting and Marine Corps League Funeral Honors at National Cemetery, October: VFW Meeting, DAV District Meeting, DAV #72 Meeting and Marine Corps League Meeting, November: VFW Meeting, Marine Corps League Ball, Vietnam Memorial Rededication Ceremony, County Home Flag Ceremony, Veteran's Day Program at Blake Elementary, Marine Corps League Meeting and Marine Corps League Funeral Honors at National Cemetery, December: VFW Meeting, Toys for Tots, DAV Meeting and Christmas Party, VSO Meeting and Marine Corps League Funeral Honors at National Cemetery.

CORRESPONDENCE

- Letter from Steve Hambley
- Letter from ODVS

OLD BUSINESS

- New Financial Assistance standards for 2020
- Dental Contract – See resolution
- Bids for Memorial
- Must be out of Professional Building by the end of the year, may have office available at Health Dept.

NEW BUSINESS

- January: Travel budget 2020 - See resolution
- Marketing CLE.com
- MYRON Calendars 2021
- Veterans Hall of Fame

CLOSING

- Time sheets were checked and verified.
- The next regular meeting will be Thursday, February 13, 2020, at 4:00 PM.
- As there was no further business to come before the board, Mr. Hoessle moved, and Mr. Grassa seconded a motion to adjourn; motion carried.

PRESIDENT R R Schmidt

SECRETARY H James Haeuber

CLERK Jennifer Slonaker

DATE 2/13/2020