

**LINCOLN COUNTY**  
**Veterans Service Commission**  
**May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2014 at 9:00 a.m.**  
**Service Center – Veterans Service Office, Rm. 146 - Merrill, WI**

**MINUTES**

**Members Present:** Mike VanLieshout, Bruce Gerdes and Claude Willet

**Members Absent:**

**Visitors:** Rick Wolf

**1. Call Meeting to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 9:01 p.m. by Chairman VanLieshout.

**2. Approve Minutes from Previous Meeting**

Motion to accept January 8<sup>th</sup>, 2014 meeting minutes by VanLieshout. Willet seconded, all ayes-Motion carried.

**3. Review Vouchers and Sign Voucher Schedule**

Vouchers turned in for reimbursement.

**4. Closed Session**

Motion by VanLieshout to go into closed session pursuant to sec. 19.85(1)(f), WI Stat. for considering financial, medical, social or personal histories of specific persons which, if discussed in public, would be likely to have an adverse effect on the reputation of persons referred to in such histories or data. Specifically under consideration are the applications referenced below. Rick Wolf is allowed to stay in the closed session.

- a. Application for Rental Assistance (#02/01A-2014)
- b. Application for Municipal Utilities Assistance (#04/1A-2014)
- c. Application for WPS Assistance (#04/1B-2014)

Roll call vote: VanLieshout-Aye Gerdes-Aye Willet-Aye  
All Ayes – Motion Carried

The Commission went into closed session at 9:03 a.m.

Motion by VanLieshout to return to open session.

Roll call vote: VanLieshout-Aye Willet-Aye Gerdes-Aye  
All Ayes – Motion Carried

The Commission went into open session at 9:25 a.m.

**5. Closed Session Action**

Take any necessary action:

- a. Motion by VanLieshout to approve Rental Assistance (#02/01A-2014)  
Gerdes seconded, all ayes, motion carried.
- b. Motion by VanLieshout to approve Municipal Utilities Assistance (#04/1A-2014)  
Willet seconded, all ayes, motion carried.

- c. Motion by VanLieshout to approve WPS Assistance (#04/1B-2014)  
Gerdes seconded, all ayes, motion carried.

**6. Financial Report**

The Secretary presented the financial report for the period 01/01/2014 – 05/01/2014

Motion by VanLieshout to approve the financial report, Willet seconded.

All ayes - Motion carried

**7. Veterans Service Office Report**

Discussed the CVSO Spring Training conference that he and Pam are required to attend in order to maintain accreditation with WDVA to perform their jobs. Recent changes in the Veterans Administration that require both Rick and Pam to apply for Federal Security Clearance in order to perform their jobs in the upcoming future, reason being the VA is going to be paperless and security will be an issue when working claims. Announcement of the upcoming events for Veteran and their families during the week of July 4-6 held in the Milwaukee area. Discussion on what qualifies a person as a Veteran in order to request assistance from the Veterans Commission. This discussion will be continued at the August meeting in order for commission and Rick to compile the correct definitions to apply to the application.

**8. Set Next Meeting Date/Adjournment**

Next meeting date will be August 19<sup>th</sup>, 2014 at 1 p.m. at the Tomahawk American Legion Clubhouse

Motion by VanLieshout to adjourn, seconded by Gerdes.

All Ayes – Meeting adjourned at 9:45 a.m.

Submitted by,  
Rick Wolf - Secretary