

LINCOLN COUNTY
Veterans Service Commission
August 19th, 2014 at 1:00 p.m.
Tomahawk American Legion- 327 W. Wisconsin. St. Tomahawk, 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 12:56 p.m. by Chairman VanLieshout.

2. Approve Minutes from Previous Meeting

Correction to May 2014 minutes discussed, to be placed on record that the May meeting called to order time was incorrect, it was printed as 9:01 p.m. and should have been 9:01 a.m.

Motion to accept May 2014 meeting minutes with verbal correction of May meeting minutes start time by VanLieshout. Gerdes seconded, all ayes-Motion carried.

3. Review Vouchers and Sign Voucher Schedule

Vouchers turned in for reimbursement.

4. Financial Report

The Secretary presented the financial report for the period 01/01/2014 – 08/18/2014

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

All ayes - Motion carried

5. 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 WPS Assistance (05/01A-2014)
- b. Application for Automobile Assistance (06/01A-2014)
- c. Application for WPS Assistance (06/02A-2014)
- d. Application for Rental Assistance (06/02B-2014)
- e. Application for Rental Assistance (06/03A-2014)
- f. Application for WPS Assistance (06/03B-2014)
- g. Application for Plumbing Assistance (07/01A-2014)
- h. Application for Rental Assistance (07/02A-2014)
- i. Application for WPS Assistance (08/01A-2014)

Roll call vote: VanLieshout-Aye Gerdes-Aye Willet-Aye

All Ayes – Motion Carried

The Commission went into closed session at 1:05 p.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 1:20 p.m.

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6. Closed Session Action

Take any necessary action:

- a. Motion by Gerdes to approve WPS Assistance (05/01A-2014), Willet seconded, all ayes, motion carried.
- b. Motion by Willet to approve Automobile Assistance (06/01A-2014), VanLieshout seconded, all ayes, motion carried.
- c. Motion by Gerdes to approve WPS Assistance (06/02A-2014), Willet seconded, all ayes, motion carried.
- d. Motion by Gerdes to approve Rental Assistance (06/02B-2014), Willet seconded, all ayes, motion carried.
- e. Motion by Willet to deny Rental Assistance (06/03A-2014), VanLieshout seconded, all ayes, motion carried.
- f. Motion by Willet to deny WPS Assistance (06/03B-2014), VanLieshout seconded, all ayes, motion carried.
- g. Motion by Willet to approve Plumbing Assistance (07/01A-2014), Gerdes seconded, all ayes, motion carried.
- h. Motion by Willet to approve Rental Assistance (07/02A-2014), Gerdes seconded, all ayes, motion carried.
- i. Motion by Willet to approve WPS Assistance (08/01A-2014), Gerdes seconded, all ayes, motion carried.

7. Veterans Service Office Report

Rick reported on the information he has compiled in reference to the ongoing discussion of definition of a Veteran and what qualifies a person to apply for commission funds. This discussion will resume at the next meeting in order for commission members and Rick to compile additional information to correct the definitions as to who can apply to the commission for assistance. Rick announced the upcoming WI State Assoc of County Veterans Service Commissions annual meeting to be held Sept 12th, 2014 at the Veterans Home in King, WI. Rick informed the commission members of the upcoming accreditation training required for him and Pam Schotz to attend to keep active state accreditation within the WI Veterans Administration system in order to do their jobs. Additional federal qualifications will also be addressed at this training, this is to attain federal clearance, and this is in addition to the state accreditation already required by the Veterans Administration.

Motion to accept report as read by Veteran Service Officer by VanLieshout, seconded by Gerdes.

All Ayes – Motion Carried

8. Set Next Meeting Date/Adjournment

Next meeting date will be November 13th, 2014 9am at the Lincoln County Veteran Services Office, Merrill, WI.

Motion by VanLieshout to adjourn, seconded by Gerdes.

All Ayes – Meeting adjourned at 1:44 p.m.

Submitted by,
Rick Wolf - Secretary