## GREEN LAKE COUNTY VETERANS SERVICE COMMISSION OCTOBER 15, 2012

The following are the open minutes of the Quarterly Meeting of the Green Lake County Veterans Service Commission held in the Veterans Service Office at the Government Center, Green Lake, WI, at 10:30 A.M. on October 15, 2012.

Members present: Victor Shrock, Robert Burdick, Tony Soda and Gerald Beuthin, Secretary.

<u>Certification of Open Meeting Law:</u> The requirements of the Open Meeting Law have been met.

<u>Call to Order:</u> The meeting was called to order at 10:30 A.M. by Chairman Shrock. After discussion, Soda made a motion to approve the agenda. Second by Burdick. All ayes. Motion carried.

<u>Action on Minutes:</u> After discussion, Burdick made a motion to approve the minutes of the July 9, 2012 meeting. Second by Soda. All ayes. Motion carried.

## Appearances & Correspondence: None

<u>Old Business:</u> Beuthin reported that no one from our commission attended the Service Commissioners at King because there was no official agenda published. Beuthin handed out information about the Service Commission. Beuthin will submit membership dues for next year with a meeting scheduled September 13, 2013.

Beuthin reported that attendance at the booth at the County Fair was very good and that the office continue this outreach again next year.

Beuthin reported that he increased the request for the Veterans Service Commission budget to \$4700.00. Separate accounts will be set up for meeting expenses and grants. Final budget approval will be at the November County Board meeting.

<u>New Business:</u> It was noted that Robert Burdick has been appointed to fill out the remaining term of Susan Streholski who had submitted her resignation. Beuthin stated that a letter of appreciation will be sent out to Sue thanking her for her years of service.

It was noted that the term of appointment of Soda to the Service Commission expires in December. Soda expressed his interest in being reappointed. Beuthin will write a memo to the County Board Chairman recommending that Soda be reappointed.

Beuthin reported that the WDVA Transportation Grant was submitted. The amount to be awarded will be determined and distributed after the first of the year.

Soda distributed information regarding the Sixth District American Legion Fall Conference.

Service Office Report: Beuthin reported that for 2012 contacts were down 5.3%, mail was up 7.9% and VA hospital trips are down 5.3% as compared to 2011.

Beuthin reported that he received a \$700 donation from Maurice and Jackie Nolden of Prairie du Sac to help needy veterans in our county.

Beuthin reported that he attended the WICVSOA Fall Conference in Eau Claire the week of September 23-28. Training was on Federal programs and changes with the WDVA. Beuthin also reported that Paula has received VA security training and will be attending training to be accredited as a POA with the WDVA.

Beuthin reported that he is trying to recruit additional volunteer drivers and asked for referrals if the commissioners know of any interested parties.

Beuthin reported that there were 24 veteran's deaths in the County since the last meeting.

<u>Financial Report:</u> After discussion, Soda made a motion to approve the Financial Report as submitted. Second by Burdick. All ayes. Motion carried.

<u>Future Meeting Date:</u> The date for the next meeting will be Monday, January 7, 2013 at 10:30 A.M.

<u>Closed Session per Wis Stats 19.85(1)(c):</u> After discussion, Soda made a motion to move to closed session: second by Burdick. Roll call vote; Soda-aye, Burdick-aye, Shrock-aye. All ayes, motion carried.

Return to Open Session for Decision: After discussion, Soda made a motion to forward the Service Officer's Annual Review to the Health and Human Service Committee. Second by Burdick. All ayes, motion carried

**Adjournment:** The meeting adjourned at 11:50 A.M. on a motion by Burdick. Second by Soda. All ayes. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted:

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Gerald R. Beuthin

Secretary, Veterans Service Commission