

**GREEN LAKE COUNTY  
VETERANS SERVICE COMMISSION  
OCTOBER 24, 2011**

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 24, 2011.

Members present: Victor Shrock, Tony Soda, Sue (Arndt) Streholski and Gerald Beuthin, Secretary.

**Certification of Open Meeting Law:** The requirements of the Open Meeting Law have been met.

**Call to Order:** 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 Streholski. All ayes. Motion carried.

**Action on Minutes:** After discussion, Streholski made a motion to approve the minutes of the July 5, 2011, meeting. Second by Soda. All ayes. Motion carried.

**Appearances & Correspondence:** Beuthin introduced the new Deputy Veterans Service Officer, Paula Luther.

**Old Business:** Shrock, Soda and Beuthin reported that they had attended the Service Commissioners meeting at King and they thought it was more informative and a better agenda than previous meetings.

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

Beuthin reported that it appears that the budget will be approved as submitted to the Finance Committee at the November County Board meeting.

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

**Service Office Report:** Beuthin reported that for 2011 contacts were up 14%, mail was up 40% and VA hospital trips are the same as compared to 2010.

Beuthin reported that he attended the WICVSOA Fall Conference in Wausau the week of October 3-7. Training concentrated on Federal programs.

Beuthin reported that since the new claims for Agent Orange presumptive disabilities were approved in November or 2010, back payments for CAD claims have been received in the amount of \$879,787.00 for county veterans.

Beuthin reported that John Scoccos has been reappointed as Secretary of the WDVA. A reorganization is currently going on but so far no grants have been affected. A discussion followed about possible changes that may occur.

Beuthin reported that there were 16 veteran's deaths in the County since the last meeting.

**Financial Report:** After discussion, Soda made a motion to approve the Financial Report as submitted. Second by Streholski. All ayes. Motion carried.

**Future Meeting Date:** The date for the next meeting will be Monday, January 9, 2012, at 10:30 A.M.

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

**Adjournment:** The meeting adjourned at 11:20 A.M. on a motion by Streholski. Second by Soda. All ayes. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted:



Gerald R. Beuthin  
Secretary, Veterans Service Commission