

**GREEN LAKE COUNTY
VETERANS SERVICE COMMISSION
OCTOBER 19, 2021**

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 19, 2021.

Members present: Victor Shrock, Robert Burdick, Robert Mosolf, and Jon Vandeyacht, 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.

Pledge of Allegiance: The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was recited.

Approval of Agenda: After discussion, Burdick made a motion to approve the agenda. Second by Mosolf. All ayes. Motion carried.

Action on Minutes: After discussion, Burdick made a motion to approve the minutes of the January 14, 2020 meeting. Second by Mosolf. All ayes. Motion carried.

Appearances & Correspondence: None

Old Business:

- a. Vandeyacht reported that the Budget was submitted for 2022 and will have the same Service Commission funds as this year. Final budget will be approved at the November 2021 County Board meeting.
- b. Vandeyacht reported that the 2021 Fall CVSO conference was held in person in Fond Du Lac, both Robin and he attended. There were many important items that were trained on which is quite important, not just for maintaining accreditation but to keep up on all of the recent changes within the federal VA.
- c. Vandeyacht discussed that there was no notice for the annual Service Commission meeting traditionally held in fall, most likely because of covid.
- d. The county fair did take place this year, met with many Veterans and within 60 days after the fair, had 6 new veterans visit the office. This is considered a success.

New Business:

- a. It was noted that the term of appointment of Mosolf to the Service Commission expires in December. Mosolf expressed interest in seeking reappointment for

another term. It was also discussed about possible replacement of Robert Mosolf but his interest in reappointment will be expressed to the County Board Chair.

- b. Vandeyacht reported that the 2021 WDVA Transportation Grant was submitted. And the 2022 WDVA/CSVSO Grant application will be released soon. It was increased with the new State Biannual Budget and are just waiting on the published levels.
- c. Vandeyacht reported that the Service Commission Aid/Grant funds were starting to get used now that the protections in place due to CoVid were expiring. His expectations are that 2022 will be heavy in demand if protections are not extended by congress.

Service Office Report:

Vandeyacht reported that for 2021 as compared to the past year, contacts were mostly up to almost pre pandemic levels.. U.S. mail was almost nonexistent as the VA is mostly paperless and the State is fax or email. VA hospital trips are down significantly due to limited appointments because of CoVid and preferences are phones as the preferred communication by Veterans. Office Visits were up significantly along with requests for assistance on disability claims. Final percentages will be calculated with the end of year report.

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

Future Meeting Date: The date for the next meeting will be Tuesday, January 11, 2022, at 10:30 A.M.

Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 11:15 A.M. on a motion by Burdick. Second by Shrock. All ayes. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted:



Jon D. Vandeyacht
Secretary, Veterans Service Commission