## GREEN LAKE COUNTY VETERANS SERVICE COMMISSION July 9, 2024

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 10:35 A.M. on Jul 9, 2024

Members present: Victor Shrock, Raymond Hudzinski and Jon Vandeyacht, 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.

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

**Approval of Agenda:** 

**Action on Minutes:** Approved

**Appearances & Correspondence:** None

<u>Old Business:</u> Vandeyacht talked about the planning update for the 2024 Fair. Due to change in the venue, the Veterans Service Office will share a booth with the county nurses in the Health Department with a joint message on Mental Health & PTSD.

Vandeyacht gave a recap on the student government day for this year. Overall, it went smoothly. There were a couple of suggestions to consider for 2025. All 4 schools were in attendance.

Vandeyacht identified that the use of the supplemental grant has been started to be used. There are plans for its full usage before time is expired.

Vandeyacht stated that they are still with only one volunteer driver. The search continues.

<u>New Business:</u> Vandeyacht reported that the Budget cycle is kicking off and so far hasn't been asked to reduce the budget. It will be submitted to the county administrator at the end of the month.

The CVSO fall conference will be in Kashina in October. Vandeyacht is the state association of CVSO's tech person. He maintains the website and forums as well as maintains the equipment for the association.

The plan for the remainder of the Supplemental grant will be spent on advertising in 2025. It will be targeted advertising within Green Lake County for the services of the CVSO office and Veterans Benefits in general.

Vandeyacht reported that he will be at the EAA Airventure this year. Two days during the week, he will be collocated with the Vet Center's truck inside of the Airventure area. CVSO's typically assist in spreading the word on Benefits and handing out water to Veterans.

**Service Office Report:** Vandeyacht reported that this years contacts remains high. Not quite to the level of 2023. This is driven by the Pact act changes mostly, but also with the outreach and advertising to county Veterans to check on their benefits and consider possible increases.

Vandeyacht reported that one of the goals for this years fair continues to find and reach Veterans in the County that haven't been to a CVSO office or to one in the last 5 years. He plans on doing work around the grounds to get more visibility with the fair visitors.

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

<u>Future Meeting Date:</u> The date for the next meeting will be Tuesday, Oct 8, 2024 at 10:30

**Adjournment:** The meeting adjourned at 11:00 A.M. by Shrock.

Respectfully submitted:

Jon D. Vandeyacht Secretary, Veterans Service Commission