

Veterans Service Committee Regular Meeting

10 September 2020

Meeting called to order at 7:02 p.m.

Present: Alan Strouf chairman, Fred Kozak, Lyle Bartels and, Ronald Corbett Informed the committee Richard Strain had step Down and was replaced by Bernard Hoesche. Forrest Doyle CVSO / Secretary, Stephanie Krivohlavek County Commissioners and No people from public.

Doyle reminded those present of the open meetings law posted at the back of the room.

Alan Strouf moved to approve the agenda motion carried.

Doyle read the minutes of the 16 January, 2020 regular meeting. Doyle read the report of what the office has done as to seeing veterans and dependents for claims and help from the office. See attached Office Report from the Federal VA and the state of Nebraska 10 Veterans have passed away and 8 spouses and, for the office files 16 Veterans, 8 Spouses passed away for the office files.

Had one request for Senators Office help and, 4 Requests for Homestead exemption letters.

Nebraska and Saline County Help from the office discharges 5 from state and 2 from the county, 0 hunting and Fishing permit, 1 State Veterans Home applications. And 4 requests for transportation for health care and completing 2 of these trips. Office has provided 5 county markers. Nebraska Veterans Aid has paid from last report 9 New claims for aid \$15,438.66 with 2 denied for \$7848.00 and we have 2 pending. County Aid fund started at \$ 2578.25 and I had Deposited \$1000.00 to account had 0 requests for County Aid. The Checking Account fund is \$3578.25 with a reserve fund for \$ 3329.00. The VA is still running Veterans Transportation Service (VTS) which is picking veterans up at their homes and taking them to Lincoln or Omaha appointments which started around the first of February and I know of 2 People that have used it for trips due to the shutdown of the courthouse. The Office has rescheduled the County Government day from 21 October 2020 to 17 March 2021 due to the COVID-19 restrictions. Ronald Corbett made motion to except the office budget as submitted Seconded by Lyle Bartels Voting aye 5, nays none motion carried Veterans Office Budget was passed as submitted and is in good shape. Veterans Memorial Budget \$10,000.00. We have replaced 3 of the Service Flag Poles due to not working right and are looking at replacing the other 3 this year. The New Kiosk is now installed and running the surround for the Kiosk was installed fitting of the new kiosk. I am the only spending about Hour week entering information in the Kiosk I am still entering information and Pictures mostly from the newspaper obituaries. Reported on the states computer system Vetera Spec as it has been making filing claims easier. Report on Outreach at Crete Veterans and Friends (VFW) going only the first Wednesday of the month until it shows that it is need for more time will restart going to Crete on 7 Oct. The Office will restart a Veterans Recognition Program to be presented once a month at the County Commissioners meeting on 29 Sept. Lyle will try again talking to Tom Brandt about changing the statutes as to who can receive the County Aid

The next regular scheduled meeting will be Wed 20 January 2021 at 2:00 p.m. in the courthouse assembly room. With no further business to come before the committee Kozak moved for Adjournment and seconded by Bartels. Voting aye: 5, nays: none, motion carried.

Alan Strouf adjourned the meeting at 8:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted

Forrest A. Doyle, Secretary

SALINE COUNTY VETERANS OFFICE REPORT

01/17/2020START DATE

END DATE 09/10/2020

FEDERAL ENTITLEMENTS				
	INTERVIEW	APPLICATION	CLAIM	OTHER
VETERAN	Veteran			
COMPENSATION	4	3	2	
INCREASE S/C COMPENSATION	5	3	1	
APPOINT VETS ORGANIZATION 21-22	4	3	3	
NON-SERVICE PENSION VET	3	0	1	
EDUCATION	0	0	0	
HOME LOAN	0	0	0	
DISCHARGE / DD-214 SF180	4	4	1	
VA HEALTH CARE 10-10 EZ	3	3	1	
VA HEALTH CARE 10-10 EZR ANNUAL UPDATE	0	0	0	
REQUEST HEALTH CARE APPOINTMENT	0	0	0	
INSURANCE	0	0	0	
REQUEST COPY OF CLAIM FILE	0	0	0	
DECEASED VETERAN / SPOUSE	16/8		10/8	
HOMESTEAD LETTER	4	4	2	
CHAMPVA FOR FAMILY	1	1	1	
APPEAL RATING DECISION	3	3	1	
DEBIT WAIVER	0	0	0	
PENSION VERIFICATION REPORT	0	0	0	
WIDOWS /CHILDERN	Spouse			
DIC / WIDOWS PENSION	2	2	1	
APPOINT VETERANS ORGANIZATION 21-22	2	2	2	
BURIAL BENEFITS	3	2		
VA HEADSTONE / MARKER	5	5	1	
PENSION VERIFICATION REPORT	0	0	0	
INSURANCE CLAIM	0	0	0	
CHAMPVA FOR FAMILY	1	1		
REQUEST APPOINTMENT	4	4	4	
NATIONAL CEMETERY	6	0	0	
OTHER				
CONGERESSAL HELP REQUESTS	1	1	1	

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NEBRASKA STATE ENTITLEMENTS				
	INTERVIEW	APPLICATION	CLAIM	OTHER
	Veteran			
VETERAN				
NEBRASKA VETERANS AID	14	13	13	3 Pending
		\$15,438.66	\$7,848.00	
DISCHARGE / DD-214	5	5	4	
HUNTING FIHING PERMITS	0	0	0	
NEBRASKA VETERANS HOME	2	1	0	
NEBRASKA VETERANS CEMETRY	0	0	0	
APPEAL DECISION	2	2		
BURIAL CARDS	14			
OTHER				
SALINE COUNTY ENTITLEMENTS				
	Veteran			
SALINE COUNTY VETERANS AID	0	0	0	
TRANSPORTATION REQUESTS	4	2	2	
MEMORIAL	8	8		
HOME VISITS / LETTERS	3	2		
MEETINGS ATTENDED				
DECEASED VETERAN / SPOUSE	16/8			
COUNTY MARKERS	5			
DISCHARGE / DD-214	2			
OTHER NON VETERAN REQUEST	4	4		

