

## **VETERANS SERVICE COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES**

**Date: June 14, 2023**

**Time: 3:00 p.m.**

**Place: Courthouse County Board Room 101; 126 Cherry St; Phillips, WI**

Meeting called to order by Douglas Moquin, Commission Chairperson at 3:00 p.m. Roll Call: Present: Benjamin Greiner, Richard Lapp, Douglas Moquin, Mitchell Surman. Excused: Brittany DeVries, Gail Redmond, David Schmidt. Also present: Tony Lueck

Call to order and Roll Call:

Items for discussion and possible action:

1. Public Comment and Communications: Message from Brittany Devries that she could continue service on the Commission if the meetings were moved to 4pm.
2. Meeting Minutes from March 8, 2023: Motion Lapp/Surman to approve the minutes from the March 8, 2023 meeting as presented. Motion carried.
3. Event Reports
  - a. Welcome Home Event: American Legion and VFW planning for August at Hines Park.
  - b. Veterans Outreach Expo – July 20<sup>th</sup>: At the Phillips Amory Building 10am – 3pm. June 23<sup>rd</sup> Tony attending planning meeting with several participants. Tony will check with auxiliaries to see if they will provide food. Confirmation of several state and federal VA agencies. Will do screenings for Toxic Exposure Risk Activity (TERA).
  - c. Other Upcoming Veterans Events: Participated in an outreach program at Pike Lake and planning another one in Brantwood. Memorial Day programs recap.
4. County Veterans Service Office Updates: Planning on doing more outreach activities. Backlog on filed VA claims. Veteran Service Officer (CVSO) in Taylor County is still in flux. New CVSO in Lincoln County. If a veteran dies and is cremated and family is not working through a funeral home, CVSO can provide the flag and honors for inurnment.
5. Commissioner Reports: There was training in funeral honors. Need for continued participants in Military Honors at funerals. Questions on memorial monument on the current Park Falls City Hall property when the city offices relocate. What would be required to move the monument and continue appropriate designation?
6. Next meeting Date: September 13 at 4pm.
7. Future Agenda Items: Nothing added.
8. Meeting adjourned at 3:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted: Jean Gottwald, County Clerk