Minutes

Veterans Assistance Commission of Kendall County, Illinois

Meeting Date: November 7, 2018

- Called to Order: 6:01 by Jeff Cox
- Prayer: Recited by Bob Leonard
- Pledge of Allegiance: Lead by Jeff Cox
- Dedication:
- Roll Call: (Present unless noted) Quorum present

- President Jeff Cox – American Legion Post 489
- Vice President Bob Leonard – VFW Post 8234
- Treasurer Ed Kurz – VFW Post 8234
- Secretary Norm Meier – American Legion Post 459
- Delegate Rick Gardner – American Legion Post 675
- Delegate Frank Kurtz – American Legion Post 395 *Absent
- Alternate Brian Clason – American Legion Post 395 *Absent
- Alternate Joe West – American Legion Post 675 *Absent
- Alternate Bernie Boeger – American Legion Post 459
- Alternate Richard Klutz – American Legion Post 489
- VACKC Liaison Scott Gryder *Absent
- VACKC Staff:
- Superintendent Chad Lockman

**Guests and concerned citizens:** Jeremy Weatherly and Ken Havelka

**Commission Officer’s Reports**

- President – Jeff gave an outgoing President’s thank you speech.
- Secretary – Motion passed to accept the September 11, 2018 minutes as read.
- Treasurer – Ed provided copies of recent checks and deposits. Motion passed to accept balance of $21,309.58.
Superintendent’s Report

- FY-19 VACKC budget presented to Finance Committee on 9/26/18 – no issues or questions.
- Karylin continues establishing / maintaining relationships with area care facilities – Kendall County Board Vice Chair Lynn Cullick has been hired as public relations director for the new Cedarhurst facility in Yorkville to open in the fall.
- FY-19 VACKC county healthcare cost decrease – county now has FY-19 surplus of just over $1000.00.
- IACVAC meeting in Peoria 9/28 – discussed VAC legal issues statewide and possible ramifications – Arranging meeting with local counsel in December to review VACKC Bylaws, Assistance Policy, and how we can remain protected under the law.
- Meeting on 11/9 with KCHD Veterans Treatment Court clinician who is currently treating the first veteran eligible for VTC; reviewing statute and possible avenues for helping veteran.
- Began rectifying assistance recipients for FY-19; so far 2 approvals, 1 denial.
- Local veteran and WCC student William Sutton was brought on mid August as work-study performing various tasks and lightening the work load for VACKC.
  - VACKC staff participated in Yorkville Chamber of Commerce golf outing on 9/20/18. – made numerous valuable connections for next year’s golf outing.
  - KCVAC Staff underwent training on 9/25/18 to complete State / Federal energy assistance applications for our veterans.
  - VACKC Fund Balances were handed out including Transportation and Veterans Assistance.

Correspondence:

Jeff Wehrli, Benjamin Schafermeyer, LaSalle Veterans Home

Unfinished Business:

New Business

- The following nominations were made for FY-19 KCVAC officers: Motion was passed to accept all.
  - President: Ed Kurz
  - Vice President: No Nominations
  - Secretary: Norm Meier
  - Treasurer: No Nominations
  - Superintendent. Chad Lockman

- Representative Certifications from Post commanders due by January 15, 2019.
- Copies of Scholarship Applications were passed out.
- FY-2019 Meeting dates are:
  - Wed. Jan. 2; Wed. Apr. 3; Wed. June 12; Wed. August 7; Wed. November 6
**Good of the Commission:**
- Chapel on the Green Veterans Day Tribute – Sunday, November 11th
- Beecher Center Benefits / Brunch – November 8th & 9th.

**Closing**
- Prayer
- Salute to Flag
- Adjournment 7:02pm.