

Veterans Assistance Commission of Kendall County

"Serving America's Finest"



Minutes

Date: 11/03/2010

➤ Preliminaries:

- ❖ Called to Order: 7: 00 PM
- ❖ Prayer: Recited by Frank Kurtz
- ❖ Pledge of Allegiance: Lead by Phil Smith
- ❖ Meeting dedication: All men and women in our Armed Forces.

- ❖ Roll Call: Present 11 Absent 0 Vacancy 1 Quorum YES

- ❖ Concerned Citizens - Introduction of guests:
Ed Dixon, VAC Superintendent; Steve Barrett, Assistant VAC Superintendent; Cheryl Tomasek, VAC Admin; Kevin Brown, VA Work Study Intern.

➤ Commission Officer's Reports:

- ❖ President's Report (Phil Smith):
 - Committee voted to go into executive session, 7:35pm
 - Committee voted to go out of executive session, 7:48pm
- ❖ Secretary's Report (Norm Meier):
 - Motion passed to accept September minutes.
- ❖ Treasurer's Report (John Schwartz):
 - Motion passed to accept the Treasurer's Report of \$3,028 checking account balance.

➤ VAC Superintendent's Report:

- ❖ Superintendent - Ed Dixon:
 - Virtual vet software is being discontinued so new SQL computer software had to purchased and was an unexpected expense of \$3,500.
 - \$46,000 left in yearly budget is not enough to pay salaries unless the reserve fund is used.
 - \$1,555 was spent to repair Equinox, which was hit by a deer, plus the cost of a rental vehicle that amounted to \$588.
 - Permission to publicize election results.
 - October VACKC activity submitted: Assistance Report; Transportation Report; Budget Report; Summary Report; Fuel Tracking Report; VACKC 2011 Schedule.
 - Cross Lutheran requests list of needy families.
 - Motion passed to approve Superintendent's report.

➤ VAC Committee Reports:

- Budget Committee - John reported finance committee met with County Board. Waiting for response.

❖ Bylaws Committee - nothing to report.

❖ Election Committee -

Don Dahm made a motion that the slate of candidates for the 2011 officers that was presented by the Election Committee be elected by acclamation since they were running unopposed, Arnie Bitterman seconded, motion was passed. The individuals that were elected as VACKC Officers for 2011 were:

Gene White, President

Jeff Cox, Vice President

Norm Meier, Secretary

Larry Laughlin, Treasurer

There was a second motion to elect Ed Dixon the incumbent superintendent to another four year term of office and that motion passed.

❖ Finance Committee - Reported on results of VACKC legal inquiry of tax money received.

❖ IACVAC - meeting schedule for 2011 was presented.

❖ NACVSO - National Conference schedule was presented.

❖ Legislative Committee - nothing to report.

➤ Unfinished Business - Awaiting word on County Board response to tax money inquiry.

➤ New Business - Pads is now operational and available every night of the week in the county.

➤ Good of the Commission

- Superintendent Dixon reported on positive comments from clients and successful job searches for local vets.
- Norm complimented VACKC staff on his experience with office visit and the processing of his VA claim.
- Ed Kurtz commented on how our VACKC staff helped out a Vet who needed help.
- VACKC December Pot Luck Dinner Meeting will be Wed. December 1st at 6:30 PM at the Yorkville American Legion.
- Troop Tree lighting ceremony will take place on Saturday, December 4th at 10am.

➤ Closing Prayer - Recited by Frank Kurtz

➤ Salute the Flag

➤ Adjournment: 8:15 PM

➤ Minutes prepared and submitted for approval at the December meeting by Norm Meier, VACKC Secretary.