

COLUMBIA COUNTY VETERANS' SERVICE COMMISSION

Approved Meeting Minutes of

The Regular Meeting of October 5, 2018

Meeting called to order at 8:30 am.

Attendance was taken and those present were: Norm Bednarek, Chair; John Van Wie, Commissioner; Keith Miller, Commissioner; Rebekka Cary, Assistant CVSO & Assistant Executive Secretary. County Board Supervisor Tom Borgkvist was also present.

It was certified that the agenda was properly posted and the meeting properly noticed. There were no changes to the agenda. The agenda was approved on motion by Bednarek, seconded by Van Wie. Motion carried.

The minutes from the last regular meeting were reviewed. The minutes were approved on motion by Miller seconded by Van Wie. Motion carried.

The Commission's expense report since the last regular meeting was reviewed. No additional expenditures had occurred since the last meeting. Approval of the report was motioned by Van Wie and seconded by Bednarek. Motion carried.

Cary stated the only major change in Federal Benefits is the appeals process – still waiting to see the effect on timeliness and approval rate.

Cary discussed the possibility of Wisconsin Department of Veterans Affairs building a new home in the southwest portion of the state. WDVA is still looking at feasibility of such a home.

As of today's date, there is no change in the staffing of the CVSO office. Rebekka is still acting CVSO.

Cary discussed the upcoming event at Blau Chiropractic in Portage. The proceeds from the event will be donated to the Columbia County Veterans Service Office for veterans' relief.

Bednarek announced that Portage High School will be holding their regular Veteran's Day program as will many schools in the county.

Bednarek discussed the 100th Birthday celebration of the American Legion which will take place at American Legion Headquarters in Portage on September 7-8, 2019. They are working to get some state dignitaries to attend the event. They are also looking to get support from the Portage Chamber of Commerce since the celebration may attract many visitors for the weekend. Briggsville post 329 will be supplying food for the event. All American Legion posts will be invited to attend. It is also the birthday of Post 47 in Portage.

The next meeting date was scheduled for Friday, October 5, 2018 at 8:30 am. Motioned by Miller, seconded by Van Wie. Motion carried.

There being no other business before the commission at this time, Miller motioned to adjourn. Seconded by Van Wie. Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned at 8:54 am.

Respectfully submitted,



Rebekka L Cary, Columbia County Veterans' Assistant Service Officer
and Assistant Executive Secretary, Columbia County Veterans' Service Commission