

COLUMBIA COUNTY VETERANS' SERVICE COMMISSION

Approved Meeting Minutes of The Regular Meeting of November 13, 2020

Meeting called to order at 8:35 am.

Attendance was taken and those present were: Keith Miller, Commissioner; Norman Bednarek, Commissioner; and Rebekka Cary, CVSO & Executive Secretary.

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 Miller, seconded by Bednarek. Motion carried.

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

The Commission's expense report since the last regular meeting was reviewed. Approval of the report was motioned by Miller and second by Bednarek. Motion carried.

Pursuant to Wisconsin Statutes Section 19.85 (1) (f), motion by Miller to go to closed session to review Veterans Service Commission Fund Applications. Second by Bednarek. Motion carried by roll call vote. The Veteran's Service Commission went into closed session at 8:37 a.m. with Miller, Bednarek, and Cary attending.

Motion by Miller to return to open session. Second by Bednarek. Motion Carried. The Commission returned to open session at 8:43 a.m.

Approval of application for \$435.00 for assistance motioned by Miller. Second by Bednarek. Motion carried

Miller stated the website WICVSO.org has been asset for referring veterans to their CVSO.

A lengthy discussion was had about getting the word out to the public about what the CVSO office does. A couple recent examples of veterans losing out on benefits was also discussed. The office would like to make sure this doesn't happen in the future.

Assistant CVSO Tammi Brueggeman will be working creating a newsletter to inform veterans and dependents on any updates to state and federal benefits. The local service organizations will be invited to put upcoming events into the newsletter as well.


The proposed 2021 budget was approved by the full county board; therefore, the part-time administrative position was approved to start in 2021.

As of now, the American Legion will still be holding their Mid-Winter Conference at Ho-Chunk.

The next meeting date was scheduled for Friday, December 11, 2020 at 8:30 am.

There being no other business before the commission at this time, Bednarek motioned to adjourn. Second by Miller. Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned at 9:28 am.

Respectfully submitted,



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