

Veterans Services – Commissioner Bi-Monthly Meeting

REGULAR MEETING OF April 11, 2022

Commissioners		
Dave Hyatt	President	Present
Christine Santiago-Foos	Vice President	Present
John McAllister	Secretary	Present
Ric Ray	Member	Present
Merlin Reimer	Member	Present
Veteran Services		
Brian Galligher	Director	Present
Wm. Piwtorak	Social Services	Present
Guest:		

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER BY: President Hyatt AT 1732.

Pledge of Allegiance

Moment of Silence

McAllister read the minutes from the Mar 28th Commission Meeting – 1733 hrs.

MOTION – to approve the minutes 1740hrs.

1st Reimer 2nd Santiago-Foos 5-0 Vote

OLD BUSINESS

F/A mission Court – The court docket will be re-written as a standalone program separating the Financial Assistance policy and mission court so there is not confusion on what is and what is not appropriate to assist with while the veterans are assigned to this special docket.

Will be working with the prosecutor to fine tune both policies (Financial Assistance and Mission court so it is clear and concise.

Paying delinquent Taxes – A follow up conversation from last month. Commission had concerns paying for these. After all opinions were heard, the general consensus was that the Financial Assistance will **NOT** be paying for any type of delinquent taxes. This will be reflected in the updated policy.

Child Support – Similar to Delinquent taxes. The updated policy will reference input from the Child enforcement Along with the prosecutor’s office to confirm the best practices.

Traveling commission meeting – the commission would prefer Sept 26th for Ashley post to host the commission Meeting. Confirmation will be forthcoming

NEW BUSINESS

Training session for commission – was terrific. Topics sparked discussion. Montgomery Co. office has a Lawyer on staff- assisting clients to 21 counties. Let to a brief discussion About providing legal services here in Delaware.

Discussion about running videos @ the BMV
Brian to talk with Jon Melvin to see if this can be done. Great idea!

Discussion about incorporating gas cards. – Final discussion point was to table to next year. Current Policy of Using Meijer gift cards for gas works currently.

Discussion about having an honor bus- Discussion ensued talking about having a bus to take veterans to Washington DC similar to Honor Flight.

Discussion regarding review of commission policies – Long conversation with motions submitted and removed. How to keep these items up to date. Final decision was For Brian will provide current policies to commission and Work on developing a review schedule.

Announcement – Bill Piwtorak attended the Service Officer Training and passed the test.

Request – Mash pantry sent an email end of March asking for commission to pay for food for an event being Held April 9th. The notification did not allow time to get to a commission meeting. In the meantime, Veteran Services received the cost via a quote. Commission had a lengthy conversation ending With the following Motion.

MOTION – Pay up to 1,635.80 to the mash pantry’s event w/ a caveat to make sure NO Further Events will be paid without prior approval.

1st Rey 2nd Santiago-Foos 5-0 vote

End of May – budget requests are due for 2023. Last Monday in May the County Commissioners require. In the meantime, this budget request will be forthcoming to the commission for the approval / input

Financial Assistance Activity:

Activity report		March 28 th thru April 10 2022					
Veteran	Food Card	Financial	commission	approved	Burial	Dental	
1		1,095.00					
2	400.00						
3	400.00						
4	400.00						

Actionable items:

1. F/A policy update – Brian / Bill
2. Confirm commission meeting in Ashley Sept 26th – Brian (Scott will confirm)
3. Television posted at BMV- Brian
4. Follow up on Honor Bus concept
5. Provide current policies and develop a review schedule.
6. Develop letter for mash pantry
7. Budget items for 2023

GOOD FOR THE ORDER

Commission requested an update from the previous meeting regarding the veteran who was assisted. last month. The commission wanted to assist more if the need was there.

MOTION - TO ADJOURN MEETING AT 1959 hrs.

1st McAllister 2nd Reimer 5-0 vote

Veterans Services – Commissioner Bi-Monthly Meeting

REGULAR MEETING OF April 25, 2022

Commissioners		
Dave Hyatt	President	Present
Christine Santiago-Foos	Vice President	Present
John McAllister	Secretary	Present
Ric Ray	Member	Present
Merlin Reimer	Member	Present
Veteran Services		
Brian Galligher	Director	Present
Wm. Piwtorak	Social Services	Present
Guest:		

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER BY: President Hyatt AT 1730.

Pledge of Allegiance

Moment of Silence

McAllister read the minutes from the Mar 28th Commission Meeting – 1731 hrs.

MOTION – to approve the minutes 1740hrs.

1st Reimer 2nd Santiago-Foos 5-0 Vote

OLD BUSINESS

F/A / mission Court – The Financial Assistance policy has be reviewed and added “Track Changes” so all Interested parties can review. This went to the commission, Auditor, and Attorney for Comments.
Commission consensus – would like the commission to receive first prior to sharing.
Requested hard copies of marked up document for commission to review

Television monitor – A looped advertisement for veteran’s services at the Willis building has been discussed With the facilities director Jon Melvin. He is good with this idea. Rey Cordero is assigned To make sure this will work as needed prior to purchasing / mounting TV’s/
The thought is to have 2 monitors mounted at that building. If successful, maybe other Locations in the future.

Question - is there enough time for someone to complete this task? Yes, it will be Worked on during down time. It should be ready in the next month or two.

Honor Bus - Initially thought about Washington DC and Wright Patterson AFB/ museum
Brian attended a meeting and found Muskingum Co does something like this. Huron Co And Miami Co appear to do this as well. Looking into potentially getting connected with a A county that already does this to Washington DC.

Wright Patterson appears to be a more favorable endeavor. Source Point provides this and Will be contacted to learn the logistics and lessons learned. Veteran Services will look into Cost and logistically needs and report back on an estimated cost.

Policy Review Brian questioned how does the commission want the policy review to go? A long discussion Occurred with multiple ideas presented but no definitive answer provided. The budget Deadline has crept into play and delayed the ability to work on policy review. Additional Information will be discussed at the next couple of meetings.

NEW BUSINESS

Delaware County fair – discussed an event during the fair – Forever Grateful. Santiago-Foos needs to contact Wolford to confirm a reservation of a table.

May 21 – Sarah Moore – 26 N. Union St
 Flag pole event
 9 am is a continental breakfast
 9:30- 10 will be a speaker and other patriotic activities
 Rain or shine event

July 20 – Big Walnut Grill - 175 OH 3 Sunbury
 Hosting a Buffet Grill supporting Veterans

Sandwich Board Sign to advertise the next commission meeting will be posted soon. Hyatt and Brian will be working together on this project.

The next commission meeting - request to have an agenda and Veteran Services Brochure prepared to hand out

Veterans Parade - Organizational meeting taking place May 10th @ 4 pm at Veteran Services. Would like to have representative from veteran organization to attend.

Financial Assistance Activity:

Social Service Officer - Activity Report							2022	
April 12- April 24th								
Veteran	Meijer Card	Dental	Financial Assistance	Commision	Amount aprvd	Burial	annual #	Lifetime
1	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 95.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	3	\$ 5,680.88
2	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,750.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	2	\$ 4,196.94
3	\$ 400.00	\$ -	\$ 784.42	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	2	\$ 1,784.42
4	\$ 400.00	\$ -	\$ 166.78	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	1	\$ 4,202.99
5	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,164.67	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	2	\$ 1,420.67
6	\$ 400.00	\$ -	\$ 252.69	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	1	\$ 252.69
7	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 983.99	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	1	\$ 3,228.59
8	\$ 400.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0	\$ 9,685.51
9	\$ 400.00	\$ -	\$ 1,782.13	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	4	\$ 5,569.99
10	\$ 200.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	3	\$ 4,398.69
11	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 833.47	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	2	\$ 2,032.99
12	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,000.00	1	\$ 2,292.70
13								
14								
15								
	Total	Total	Total		Total	Total		
	\$ 2,200.00	\$ -	\$ 7,819.15		\$ -	1,000.00		
		Total expd month			Total expd year			
		\$ 11,119.15			\$ 81,179.96			

Actionable items:

1. Budget 2023
2. Policy Review- plan of attack
3. Willis Bldg. – Television Placement
4. Honor bus – D.C and /or WPAFB

GOOD FOR THE ORDER

ACCOLADES: John Crouse took the opportunity to identify Rey Cordero for going above and beyond by helping with his personal computer. Not only at Veteran Services but Rey also took time from his personal time to go Mr. Crouse’s home to help get this computer working.

NEXT MEETING

May 9th - Traveling to VFW Post 3297 – 481 S. Sandusky St. Delaware Ohio 43015
Meeting begins at 5:30 PM.

MOTION - TO ADJOURN MEETING AT 1955 hrs.

1st Santiago-Foos 2nd Reimer 5-0 vote