

Veterans Services – Commissioner Bi-Monthly Meeting

REGULAR MEETING OF Aug 8th, 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:		
Veteran for F/A request		

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER BY: President Hyatt AT 1731.

Pledge of Allegiance

Moment of Silence

McAllister read the minutes from the July 25th Commission Meeting – 1738 hrs.

MOTION – to approve the minutes with one correction to identify the Republican’s women’s group noted in “Good for the order.

1738hrs.

1st Reimer 2nd McAllister 5-0 Vote

MOTION – Enter into Executive Session

1739 hrs.

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

MOTION – Leave Executive Session and enter back into public meeting.

1827 hrs.

1st Hyatt 2nd Reimer 5-0 Vote

MOTION – 22-0808-01

To assist financially with removing a trailer parked at 250 Birch Dr. by paying the \$5,000 With the stipulation the management company stop any eviction process and transfer of title can be completed appropriately.

1st Hyatt 2nd Reimer 5-0 Vote.

Financial Activity Report:

No Report

OLD BUSINESS

Vietnam wall- application was submitted on time – now we wait to see if Delaware is selected.

Veteran visit program

14 veterans have been identified. Based off input from the commission, an active spreadsheet will be maintained to monitor who is assigned to visit each veteran. Hard copy will be given to each Commission officer at next meeting and updated as needed.

NEW BUSINESS

Resurrection Cemetery has asked for assistance regarding headstone replacement. Each of them are just shy of 500.00 dollars. There are other options available. Brian is traveling to Franklin County. He will investigate what they do and report back.

Friday night Aug 5th was Veterans Night at Stock hands and it was not very well attended.

1st and 3rd Fridays are Veterans night

2nd and 4th Friday are First Responder nights

20th of August is: Fund Raiser for Stock Hands

Suggestion: Banner to hang in the Barn need to be made to advertise Delaware County Veteran Services.

Christine Santiago – Foos reported on the Women's Conference she attended.

Take away: Enjoyed the speakers: Secretary of State, Lieutenant Governor. Breakout Sessions: Workforce (INTEL), Healthcare issue, Veteran Benefits, Legislation Changes.

Another booth – Adult to Adult Wellness Checks - Similar to what DCVSO if attempting to do as well. Organized through a Catholic organization.

Great Visibility.

Recent Voting – Poor turnout 154,000 registered voter in Delaware County and less than 16000 voted.

Unite as ONE is a veteran event held Aug 13th from 10 am to 3pm located at 6000 Harriot Rd (Shawnee Hills)

Financial Officer Report – provided a document showing all the projects / objective trying to meet. See report.

Ashley Meeting – 26th September Post 518 American Legion – Will not be able to have an Executive meeting

2nd Quarters Stats spreadsheet – See spreadsheet.

Sept 9th – Veteran Shoot at the open Air Range on SR 229.

Continued with Policy Review

Activities:

First Friday

Dublin Irish Fest

Ohio State Fair

Actionable items:

1. List of Veterans to Visit
2. Resurrection Cemetery – Headstone purchase?
3. Make banner for Stock hands

GOOD FOR THE ORDER

Next Meeting: Aug 22th @ 91 N. Sandusky beginning at 1730 hrs.

MOTION - TO ADJOURN MEETING AT 2006 hrs.

1st McAllister 2nd Reimer 5-0 vote

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Commissioners		
Dave Hyatt	President	Present
Christine Santiago-Foos	Vice President	Present
John McAllister	Secretary	Present
Ric Ray	Member	Absent
Merlin Reimer	Member	Present
Veteran Services		
Brian Galligher	Director	Present
Wm. Piwtorak	Social Services	Present
Guest:		
Veteran for F/A request		
Tom Cunningham FC DAV		

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER BY: President Hyatt AT 1731.

Pledge of Allegiance

Moment of Silence

McAllister read the minutes from the Aug 8th Commission Meeting – 1732 hrs.

MOTION – to approve the minutes with one correction to correct spelling of names.

1737hrs.

1st Reimer 2nd Santiago-Foos 4-0-1 Vote

Special Presentation

1738 hrs

Tom Cunningham – FC DAV

Came in to discuss services they provide.

Discussed opportunity for Delaware Co. to emulate a similar program that Licking Co and Franklin Co. have developed: Medical Chair Lift Reimbursement program.

Purchase / Provide lift Chairs

400-2000 dollars each chair

They also brought documents to sign up for Hunting Heroes – a program where veterans can go Hunting with veteran peers.

MOTION – Enter into Executive Session

1750 hrs.

1st Santiago-Foos 2nd Reimer 4-0-1 Vote

MOTION – Leave Executive Session and enter back into public meeting.

1845 hrs.

1st Reimer 2nd Hyatt 4-0-1 Vote

MOTION – 22-0822-01

To assist veteran financially with funds to pay lowest bidder to fix and cover a roof of an addition to their house that has not been worked on for over a year. The rest of the project will be completed by the veteran's sons. The cost is \$6,492.00

1st McAllister 2nd Santiago-Foos 4-0-1 Vote.

MOTION -22-0822-01

To assist veteran financially by collaborating with the Salvation Army to help veteran to get a more permanent home. Request is to pay first month's rent and deposit while Salvation Army will assist with other rent needs through their internal programs. The cost is \$3,000.00 (1500 rent, 1500 deposit)

1st Santiago-Foos 2nd Reimer 4-0-1 vote.

Financial Activity Report:

No Report

OLD BUSINESS

Veteran visit program

Spreadsheet was developed and handed out to the commission for them to identify which veteran each commission board member will visit in the coming days. The spreadsheet will be updated as needed and maintained identifying assigned commissioner. This will be accessible through Veterans services digital folders.

Resurrection Cemetery- headstone footer assistance. Director Galligher investigated/ researched through the Ohio revised code. Will be working with the prosecutor's office to develop a program to accomplish this. Key point: Regardless where the veteran is buried, as long as spouse is residing in Delaware County, Veteran Services' program, once developed will support the spouse.

NEW BUSINESS

The upcoming veterans breakfast – requires a deposit of 100.00

MOTION – 22-0822-03

To fund the 100.00 dollar deposit to secure the veterans breakfast activity and the subsequent remaining veterans breakfast amount.

1st Santiago-Foos 2nd Hyatt 4-0-1 Vote

Due to the activity of Veterans Service Financial Assistance, the director will be going in front of the County Commissioners asking to increase the funds by 75,000 dollars – 70K for Financial Assistance 5 K for supplies.

Transportation – Over the past few weeks Delco Transit has been failing to meet the needs of Veterans. The director has had numerous conversations and developing future ideas to improve and limit any problems with transportation in the future.

Vet Services perimeter group meeting – Franklin Co and contiguous counties met and will be meeting again in Jan'23. The key objective is outreach. Next meeting Deputy Director Leonard will be attending with Director Galligher.

August 26th Veterans court Graduation

Sept 9th Olentangy Orange hosting football game highlighting Veterans – Interested in attending?

Delco Fair – Set up 15th fair is 17-24th – Coliseum will be all military this year.

Activities:

No report

Actionable items:

No report

GOOD FOR THE ORDER

Kuddos to Andrew (Transportation) for a job well done! – John Crouse

Next Meeting: Sep 12 th @ 91 N. Sandusky beginning at 1730 hrs.

MOTION - TO ADJOURN MEETING AT 2017 hrs.

1st McAllister 2nd Reimer 4-0-1 vote