

# Veterans Services – Commissioner Bi-Monthly Meeting

## REGULAR MEETING OF May 13th 2024 - REDACTED

<b>Commissioners</b>		
John McAllister -	President	<b>Present</b>
Christine Santiago Foos –	Vice President	<b>Present</b>
Merlin Reimer -	Secretary	<b>Present</b>
Dave Hyatt -	Member	<b>Present</b>
Richard Ray -	Member	<b>Present</b>
<b>Veteran Services</b>		
Brian Galligher	Director	<b>Present</b>
Wm. Piwtorak	Social Services	<b>Present</b>
<b>Speaking Guest(s)</b>		

**MEETING CALLED TO ORDER BY:** President McAllister at 1730.

Pledge of Allegiance

Moment of Silence

Reading and approval of minutes concluding at 1735 hrs.

**MOTION – 24-0513-01** to approve the minutes from the April 22, 2024 meeting.

**1<sup>st</sup> Santiago-Foos                      2<sup>nd</sup> Hyatt                      5-0 Vote                      PASSED**

**MOTION -24-0513-02** to move into executive session at 1736hrs.

**1<sup>st</sup> Santiago-Foos                      2<sup>nd</sup> Hyatt                      5-0 Vote                      PASSED**

Discussed financial request and a personnel matter.

**MOTION- 24-0513-03** return to public session at 1805 hrs.

**1<sup>st</sup> Reimer                                      2<sup>nd</sup> Ray                                      5-0 Vote                                      PASSED**

**MOTION – 24-0513-04** to deny the 3<sup>rd</sup> request from Veteran REDACTED for replacement of their HVAC system.

**1<sup>st</sup> McAllister                      2<sup>nd</sup> Reimer                                      5-0 Vote                                      PASSED**

**OLD BUSINESS:**

Grady hospital: – still no response. No action on Veteran Services part. Wait for the hospital to reach out.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

None

**Director's Report**

The "WALL THAT HEALS" has two contracts that require approval from the board of commission.

Contract 1 is the contract between "The Wall That Heals" and Veteran Services

**MOTION 24-0513-05** to accept the contract between "The Wall That Heals" and Veterans Services for the event for 10-15 Sept 2024.

**1<sup>st</sup> Ray      2<sup>nd</sup> Reimer      5-0 vote      PASSED**

Contract 2 is the contract between Liberty Township and Veteran Services.

**24-0513-06** to accept the contract between Liberty Township and Veterans Services as a legal document for "The Wall That Heals" Sept 2024 that will be located at Havener Park

**1<sup>st</sup> Ray      2<sup>nd</sup> Reimer      5-0 vote      PASSED**

There is an Auditor Certificate published showing a PO is open for this event.

Discussion regarding veteran events held at the nursing homes Sarah Moore and The Arbors. Another nursing home may come on board in the future. These events are social events where food is provided while veterans gather and have good conversations. To continue these events, a motion needs to be passed.

**MOTION 24-0513-07** to approve food to be provided for veterans social gatherings at local nursing homes for the rest of the year. Cost shall not go over \$200.00 per month.

**1<sup>st</sup> Hyatt      2<sup>nd</sup> Santiago-Foos      5-0 Vote      Passed**

NOTE: This Thursday May 16<sup>th</sup> beginning at 3 pm at the ARBORS is the next event

## Budget Discussion:

The director handed out documents supporting the discussion. Detailed discussion occurred referencing the documents provided and anticipated growth in the organization. The approval of the budget is slated for the 4<sup>th</sup> Monday in May. Since it is a federal holiday, the commission agreed that the final approval will occur on Tuesday May 28<sup>th</sup> at their next meeting.

## Military service:

Since changing commands, Brian will now be assigned to the Pacific Fleet. Based upon current world events, there may be a possibility that Brian will receive activation orders to support his military command that could last 6 months. Currently this is just a possibility but wanted the board to be aware in the event the orders are cut.

May 27<sup>th</sup> is Memorial Day there will be a recognition ceremony at Oakgrove Cemetery that begins at 1000 located in the west side veteran section.

May 22<sup>nd</sup> at 1030 there will be a dedication ceremony at the Ohio Fallen Heroes Memorial in Sunbury, Ohio

**NEXT MEETING:** May 28, 2024 is the next scheduled meeting - 1730 hrs. – At 91 N. Sandusky (Veterans Services). This is a Tuesday because the normal Monday meeting is May 27<sup>th</sup> which is a federal Holiday – Memorial Day.

**Motion – 24-0513-08 Motion to adjourn the meeting at 1922 hrs.**

**1<sup>st</sup> Santiago- Foos 2nd Reimer**

**5-0 vote**

**PASSED**

# Veterans Services – Commissioner Bi-Monthly Meeting

## REGULAR MEETING OF May 28th 2024 REDACTED

Moved to Tuesday due to Memorial Day

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John McAllister -	President	<b>Present</b>
Christine Santiago Foos –	Vice President	<b>Present</b>
Merlin Reimer -	Secretary	<b>Present</b>
Dave Hyatt -	Member	<b>Present</b>
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**MEETING CALLED TO ORDER BY:** President McAllister at 1730.

Pledge of Allegiance

Moment of Silence

Reading and approval of minutes concluding at 1735 hrs.

**MOTION – 24-0528-01** to approve the minutes from the May 13, 2024 meeting.

**1<sup>st</sup> Santiago-Foos      2<sup>nd</sup> Reimer      5-0 Vote      PASSED**

**MOTION -24-0528-02** to move into executive session at 1736hrs.

**1<sup>st</sup> Santiago-Foos                      2<sup>nd</sup> Reimer                      5-0 Vote                      PASSED**

Discussed 2 financial Requests

**MOTION- 24-0528-03** return to public session at 1837 hrs.

**1<sup>st</sup> Santiago-Foos                      2<sup>nd</sup> Ray                      5-0 Vote                      PASSED**

**MOTION – 24-0528-04** to approve \$4,139.47 for Veteran REDACTED monthly expenses.

**1<sup>st</sup> McAllister      2<sup>nd</sup> Reimer                      5-0 Vote                      PASSED**

**MOTION – 24-0528-05** to approve \$400.00 dollars in Meijer cards for Veteran REDACTED.

**1<sup>st</sup> McAllister      2<sup>nd</sup> Reimer      5-0 Vote      PASSED**

**OLD BUSINESS:**

Budget:

A discussion continued talking about massaging the budget. Discussion revolved around food, supplies, and contract services.

Discussed growth of the office and a new space. Additional money was added to the budget for preliminary needs to accomplish this task. The additional funds were added to Contracted professional services, lease, utilities, and material & supplies. Director Galligher will present an outline at the next meeting showing projected growth, how we meet it, and concentrating on needs for space, thus building on the previous presentation.

The total of the budget is: \$2,451,216.00.

**MOTION – 24-0528-06** to accept the 2025 budget of \$2,451,216.00.

**1<sup>st</sup> Hyatt      2<sup>nd</sup> Santiago-Foos      5-0 Vote      Passed**

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Discussed the option to have the minutes mailed out the Wednesday prior to the scheduled meeting for the commission to review.

**MOTION – 24-0528-07** to receive the minutes from the current meeting no later than the Wednesday prior to the next scheduled meeting.

**1<sup>st</sup> Reimer      2<sup>nd</sup> Ray      5-0 Vote      Passed**

Discussed the option to schedule meeting dates (Mondays) that affect Holidays. After reviewing the calendar, the only holiday that remained consistent that a deadline was present was Memorial Day. Instead, the commission discussed mandating internally that the budget had to be completed by the first meeting in May eradicating any issue moving 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday's meeting to a later time.

**MOTION – 24-0528-08** to mandate that the commissions' budget be finalized on or before the first scheduled meeting in May.

**1<sup>st</sup> Santiago-Foos**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Reimer**

**5-0 vote**

**Passed**

**Director's Report**

No Report – See old business

**NEXT MEETING:** June 10, 2024 is the next scheduled meeting - 1730 hrs. – At 91 N. Sandusky (Veterans Services).

**Motion – 24-0528-09 Motion to adjourn the meeting at 2011 hrs.**

**1<sup>st</sup> Santiago- Foos**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Ray**

**5-0 vote**

**PASSED**