

Veterans Services – Commissioner Bi-Monthly Meeting

REGULAR MEETING OF August 10th, 2026, REDACTED

Commissioners		
Ric Ray	President	Present
Dave Hyatt	Vice President	Present
John McAllister	Secretary	Present
Jeff Hill	Member	Present
Richard Mason	Member	Present
Veteran Services		
Brian Galligher	Director	Present
Wm. Piwtorak	Deputy Director	Present
Foxx Schneider	Social Services	Present
Speaking Guest(s)		

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER BY: President Ric Ray in 1730.

Pledge of Allegiance

Moment of Silence

Review minutes from the previous meeting.

Motion – 26-0810-01 to approve the minutes from 07-27-2026 as written

1st Hyatt

2nd McAllister

5-0 Vote

PASS

Motion-26-0810-02 to move into executive session at 1732 hrs.

1st McAllister

2nd Mason

5-0 Vote

PASS

Motion- 26-0727-03 to return to public session at 1818 hrs.

1st McAllister

2nd Mason

5-0 Vote

PASS

Motion-26-0810-04-01 to waive the monthly allowable to assist Veteran REDACTED.

1st Mason **2nd Hill** **5-0 Vote** **Pass**

Motion-26-0810-04-02 to approve the amount of \$4,515.00 for rent also including (1) \$100.00 Meijer card. For future assistance the Veteran must willingly seek financial education from a financial advisor. Delaware County Veteran Services will provide a financial advisor.

1st Hill **2nd McAllister** **5-0 Vote** **PASS**

Motion-26-0810-05-01 to waive monthly allowable amount of assistance provided to assist Veteran REDACTED and family.

1st McAllister **2nd Mason** **5-0 Vote** **PASS**

Motion-26-0810-05-02 to approve the requested amount of \$2,267.01 to assist with bills as well as providing (1) \$100.00 Meijer card to assist Veteran REDACTED and family with food/gas.

1st McAllister **2nd Hill** **4-1 Vote** **PASS**

Motion-26-0810-06-01 to waive allowable amount to assist Veteran REDACTED and family.

1st McAllister **2nd Mason** **5-0 Vote** **PASS**

Motion-26-0810-06-02 to approve to pay half of the amount of every bill that was requested to be paid, in the amount of \$2,542.00, also providing (1) \$100 Meijer card to assist Veteran REDACTED with food and gas.

1st Hill **2nd Mason** **5-0 Vote** **PASS**

OLD BUSINESS:

COUNTY FAIR STAFFING:

Because the Merchants' Building is currently unavailable for office use, the Director and Deputy Director met with the board to establish schedule options for staffing the information table at the coliseum. The current proposal is to have an employee or a representative from a partnering organization man the table on Tuesdays and Fridays. Moving forward, the office plans to contact the county fair organizers early in the calendar year to secure a permanent indoor spot within the Merchants' Building for future years.

NEW BUISNESS:**MEETING WITH COUNTY COMMISSIONERS:**

The Director, Deputy Director and transportation Manager of the Delaware County Veteran Service office will be meeting with each one of the county commissioners separately to discuss the operations and function of our office and goals the office is working toward for future years for the Veterans within Delaware County.

MINUTES:

Commissioner Ray brought to the Director and Deputy Directors attention that the minutes that are published on the website are not current. Commissioner ray stated that the most current minutes on the website for the office are from February of 2026. This change needs to happen to ensure the community stays up to date with current events and decisions in which go on for the office. The Deputy Director of the office will ensure it is taken care of and fixed for future meetings.

STORAGE FACILITY FOR DAV

Possibility and interest for new roles and storage for responsibilities that the DAV has overseen was spoke of. Future discussion to follow with plans in place.

DIRECTORS REPORT:

Director Gallagher will be meeting with the city of Delaware on Friday August 13th for discussion on the unveiling of the monument which will be in the city of Delaware at Oak Grove Cemetery. Future updates to follow.

Wave Report: -the wavetop report was provided to the VSC, Fabia Taylor the office cemetery coordinator is doing a fabulous job and was praised by the Veteran Service Commission for the work she has done.

GOOD FOR THE ORDER:

NEXT MEETING: August 24th, 2026, is the next meeting scheduled-1730 hrs. At 91 N. Sandusky Street (Veterans Services).

Motion 26-0810-07 to adjourn the meeting at 2000 hrs.

1st McAllister

2nd Mason

5-0 Vote

PASS

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REGULAR MEETING OF August 24th, 2026

Commissioners		
Ric Ray	President	Present
Dave Hyatt	Vice President	Present
John McAllister	Secretary	Present
Jeff Hill	Member	Present
Richard Mason	Member	Present
Veteran Services		
Brian Galligher	Director	Present
Wm. Piwtorak	Deputy Director	Present
Foxx Schneider	Social Services	Present
Speaking Guest(s)		

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER BY: President Ric Ray in 1730.

Pledge of Allegiance

Moment of Silence

Review minutes from the previous meeting.

Motion – 26-0824-01 to approve the minutes from 08-10-2026 as written

1st Hyatt

2nd McAllister

5-0 Vote

PASS

Motion-26-0824-02 to move into executive session at 1732 hrs.

1st McAllister

2nd Mason

5-0 Vote

PASS

Motion- 26-0824-03 to return to public session at 1818 hrs.

1st McAllister

2nd Mason

5-0 Vote

PASS

Motion-26-0824-04-01 to waive the monthly allowable to assist Veteran REDACTED

1st McAllister

2nd Hill

4-1 Vote

Pass

Motion-26-0810-04-02 to approve the amount of \$525 to best assist Veteran REDACTED and provide him (1) \$100.00 Meijer gift card to assist with food, gas, and groceries.

1st Hyatt

2nd McAllister

4-1 Vote

PASS

Motion-26-0824-05 to approve the updates to the current financial assistance policy presented by the Deputy Director, and Social Service Officer of the office.

1st Hill

2nd Hyatt

5-0 Vote

PASS

OLD BUSINESS:

COUNTY FAIR STAFFING:

The Delaware County Veteran Service Office will staff an information table at the county fair on September 19, 22, and 25, which are projected to be the highest traffic days. The office's outreach coordinator will directly manage staffing and scheduling.

MEETING WITH COUNTY COMMISSIONERS:

Leadership from the Delaware County Veteran Service Office, including the Director, Deputy Director, and Transportation Manager, recently met with the Delaware County Commissioners across three separate sessions. These productive meetings created valuable communication on transportation services, daily operations, Veteran Service Commission compensation, and the future of local Veterans Day parades. Ultimately, the office achieved its goal of strengthening its connection with the Commissioners and establishing an open feedback loop, with follow up meetings already planned for 2027.

Funeral Reimbursement policy:

After discussion the county Auditors office will issue checks to the organization as a whole and the two funeral organizations, which are the DCVA, and the VVA will disperse the money that was reimbursed by the individuals who deserve it due to the driving they did to ensure the funeral was completed.

NEW BUISNESS:

Delaware County Veteran Groups:

The board and leadership discussed the status of the “round table” that is in place. Seeing the results of attendance and productivity, the Director brought to the board an idea to bring a multitude of organizations together yearly. This yearly meeting will be held first.

DIRECTORS REPORT:

The Director of the office has been having discussions to change our email ending from “@co.delaware.oh.us” to something simpler.

Wave Report: -the wavetop report was provided to the VSC, Fabia Taylor the office cemetery coordinator is doing a fabulous job and was praised by the Veteran Service Commission for the work she has done.

GOOD FOR THE ORDER:

NEXT MEETING: September 7th, 2026, is the next meeting scheduled-1730 hrs. At 91 N. Sandusky Street (Veterans Services).

Motion 26-0824-06 to adjourn the meeting at 1900 hrs.

1st McAllister

2nd Mason

5-0 Vote

PASS