



**MEETING MINUTES**

**Committee:** Veterans  
**Date:** Monday, September 11, 2017  
**Time:** 1:30 PM  
**Location:** Health Services Center Board Room, 1225 Langlade Rd., Antigo, WI

The following discussion was held by the Committee at the meeting detailed above:

1. Meeting called to order at 1:30 P.M.
2. Roll call was conducted.

| Water & Land Use Planning Committee |             |         |
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| Name                                | Role        | Status  |
| James Jansen                        | Chair       | Present |
| Richard Schuh                       | Member      | Present |
| Richard Hurlbert                    | Member      | Present |
| Non- Committee Members Present      |             |         |
| Name                                | Interest    |         |
| John Zenkovich                      | CVSO        |         |
| Mary Lex                            | Deputy CVSO |         |
| Tommie Stuckert                     |             |         |
| Dan Kamps                           |             |         |
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3. The Committee recited the Pledge of Allegiance.
4. The Committee observed a moment of silence as the names of all Veterans that have passed away since the last meeting.
5. Approval of previous meeting minutes. Motion by Schuh. Second by Hurlbert to approve the meeting minutes for the August 14, 2017 meeting. All Ayes, No Nays. Motion carried.
6. Public comment on agenda items and consideration of requests for items to be added to future public meeting agendas.  
Tommie Stuckert discussed emergency procedures for troubled veterans.
7. Approve Veterans Service Office outside employment and office hours. Motion was made by Hurlbert after discussion to approve the office hours set by Service Officer John Zenkovich and

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to approve the outside employment of John Zenkovich as Antigo High School Track Coach and Mary Lex in other outside employment positions, seconded by Schuh. All ayes, no nays. Motion carried.

8. Discuss/Approve agenda approval delegation to the Veterans Service Office  
Discussion was held and Chairman James Jansen approved and delegated John to approve the agenda, when new items are added a phone call will be given to Jim for approval.
9. Veterans Office Update – John Zenkovich, Veterans Service Officer  
John stated our office has been very busy which is good news. There have been many new veterans coming in to our office, either just discharged, military retired or moving into our county.  
John stated Mary is establishing our future dates for outreach in Elcho and White Lake. This is turning out to be a great benefit for those veterans and widows wishing to visit our office but not being able to drive into Antigo to do so. Dates will be given at next meeting.  
John commented about the PTSD and mental health seminar in Marquette, Michigan which was on Monday, August 30. The training was very informative. John met many of the people he has contact with over the phone. Many Vietnam veterans are now being diagnosed with PTSD, after suppressing their memories for years while they were working and raising families and are now retiring which means they have more time to dwell on stressful incidents from their military service. Veterans need to lose the stigma about seeking mental health or counseling and contact the medical centers or the vet centers for help dealing with these issues that haunt them. Our office will continue to promote programs which help veterans with healing and hopefully reduce the suicide rate among veterans.  
John stated the office will be closed Sept. 18 through the 22 due to the CVSO fall conference which is being held in Oshkosh.  
John reported that the travel grant has been submitted to WDVA for approval. Amount is not known as it is based on counties submitting and miles traveled by each count.  
John will be attending the finance committee meeting on Friday for the approval of 2018/2019 budget.
10. Schedule next meeting. The next meeting is scheduled for October 9 at 1:30, tentative November 13 at 1:30 pm in the Health Service Center Board Room.
11. Adjourn meeting. Motion by Hurlbert, second by Schuh to adjourn the meeting. Meeting adjourned at 2:18 pm.

Minutes transcribed and submitted<sup>i</sup> by:

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VETERANS DEPARTMENT

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County Clerk

Parties Involved