

Veterans Committee Minutes  
July 9, 2018 – 3:00 p.m.

Present: Chairman Mo Wright; Supervisors Phil Barrett, Vince DeLucia, Dan Pemrick and Kevin Tollisen; Spencer Hellwig, County Administrator; Frank McClement, Veterans; Lauren Roberts, County Historian; Andrew Jarosh, Treasurer; Craig Hayner, County Clerk.

Chairman Wright called the meeting to order and welcomed all in attendance.

**On a motion made by Mr. DeLucia, seconded by Mr. Tollisen, the minutes of the May 9, 2018 meeting were approved unanimously.**

Mr. McClement distributed the Veterans Service Agency Report for May and June. During this time frame 62 new claims were assembled and submitted, 58 appointments were scheduled, they had 39 walk in clients. They had 26 DSS referrals and 25 Medicaid referrals. They participated in a number of events, one notable event was the National Association for County Veterans Service Officer training conference in Reno NV. Service Officer Paul and Mr. McClement attended. Mr. McClement said that they are required by law to maintain continuing education to keep their accreditation through the Department of Veterans Affairs.

For May and June, the van provided 304 rides. The Peer to Peer program had several events, the Tuesday Coffee Traders Veteran Meet up continues to be a very successful event.

For the Honor our Deceased Veterans, July 2018 will be honoring Thomas Farnan WWI from the Town of Stillwater. The Veterans Trust Fund has a balance on hand of \$54,879.90. Mr. McClement said that he recently partnered with the Womens' Auxiliary at the American Legion to help a Veteran dealing with a domestic violence situation. Dr. Prezioso and his daughter recently participated in a Murph Challenge and raised funds for the Veterans Trust Fund in honor of Memorial Day.

Mr. Wright said that a meeting was held last month with the Army Field Band regarding the Labor Day concert. Tickets and posters for the event are currently being worked on and once completed and printed, they will be distributed to Stewarts Shops. Invitations will be sent out to Veterans Service agencies to see if they would like to set up a table for the event.

Mr. Wright said that Stephen Dennis, WWII will be honored in an upcoming deceased veteran ceremony. Mr. Wright said that Mr. Dennis had donated a map of all the Pacific conflicts in WWII and the map is currently in the County Clerk's office. Mr. Hayner said that he can work with Jim Cutler, carpenter with the Public Works Department to have the map framed and ready for the ceremony.

Mr. Wright said that they recently discussed converting the display case in the hallway into a revolving monthly display for the Honor Deceased Veteran. It has now been decided to build a new case outside the Board of Supervisors boardroom. This will also provide more visibility to those attending the ceremonies and the general public. Mrs. Roberts distributed a sketch of the planned case. The glass display case will be approximately 6 feet wide x 4 feet tall with a storage cabinet underneath. The case will have three sections, one panel will be a general

overview of the Honor Deceased Veteran program, the middle panel will be dedicated to that month's veteran and the final panel will have a display regarding the conflict or war that the veteran served in. Mrs. Roberts said that she has reached out to the curator of the Military Museum and they can provide some artifacts for the case. The case will be locked and there is a security camera in that area. Mr. McClement said that it's imperative that the names of the veterans being honored be set well in advance so that there is ample time to get the display case prepared each month.

**On a motion was made by Mr. Barrett, seconded by Mr. Pemrick, the meeting was adjourned unanimously.**

Respectfully submitted,  
Therese Connolly  
Deputy Clerk of the Board