

## **Veterans Affairs Committee**

Tuesday, December 5, 2023 2PM 40 McMaster Street, Ballston Spa, NY

## **Minutes**

Present: Chairman Smith; Committee Members Scott Ostrander, Tom Richardson, Mo Wright.

Absent: Ian Murray,

Supervisor John Lant; Steve Bulger, Ridge Harris, Stephanie Hodgson, Christine Rush, Anne VanVorst County Administrator; Michelle Granger, County Attorney; Frank McClement,

Veterans; Craig Hayner, County Clerk.

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

On a motion by Mr. Richardson, seconded by Mr. Wright, the minutes of the June 27, 2023 meeting were approved unanimously.

Mr. McClement provided an overview of the Veterans Service Agency report and Trust Fund Report which were included in the agenda. The current balance of the Trust Fund is \$141,741.95.

On a motion made by Mr. Richardson, seconded by Mr. Ostrander, the committee authorized the allocation of \$5,000 from the Veterans' Trust Fund balance to be used towards holiday relief efforts. Unanimous.

Mr. McClement reviewed the upcoming Honor Deceased Veterans Ceremonies schedule which was included in the agenda and introduced the new Veterans Service Officer Tamim Fares to the committee.

On a motion by Mr. Wright, seconded by Mr. Richardson, the meeting was adjourned unanimously.

Respectfully submitted, Bridget Rider Deputy Clerk of the Board