

# MEETING CONDUCTED VIRTUALLY DUE TO COVID-19



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## Medina County Veterans Service Commission

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July 10, 2020

### Minutes for the Medina County Veterans Service Commission Meeting July 9, 2020

The meeting was called to order at 4:00 pm by the President, Mr. Schmidt, who called for the Pledge of Allegiance. Mr. Destro, Mr. Forster, Mr. Grassa, and Mr. Hoessle were present.

The minutes from the June 11, 2020 regular meeting were read. Mr. Grassa moved, and Mr. Destro seconded the motion to accept the minutes as read; motion carried.

Appeals presented to the Commission:

| Name            | Present | Granted | Resolution #          |
|-----------------|---------|---------|-----------------------|
| 1. Charles Rose | Yes     | Yes     | Resolution #037-07-20 |

**Operational bills** were presented to the Commissioners in the amount of \$6,229.17. Mr. Grassa moved, and Mr. Destro seconded the motion to accept and pay the bills as presented, motion carried. (*Resolution #032-07-20*)

**Demand operational bills** paid prior to the board meeting in the amount of \$3,262.75 were reviewed by the Commissioners. Mr. Hoessle moved, and Mr. Grassa seconded the motion to accept the paid bills as presented, motion carried. (*Resolution #033-07-20*)

**Financial assistance** investigations were conducted, and financial assistance was granted. There was a total of 22 cases. Mr. Destro moved, and Mr. Grassa seconded the motion to accept cases, pay bills and process cash grants totaling \$11,516.02; motion carried. (*Resolution #034-07-20*)

**Demand emergency assistance** bills paid prior to the board meeting in the amount of \$1,950.00 were reviewed by the Commissioners. Mr. Hoessle moved, and Mr. Grassa seconded the motion to accept the paid emergency assistance as presented, motion carried. (*Resolution #035-07-20*)

**Dental assistance** investigations were conducted, and dental assistance was granted. Mr. Destro moved, and Mr. Forster seconded the motion to accept cases, pay bills and process cash grants totaling \$563.00; motion carried. (*Resolution #036-07-20*)

**Indigent Burial:** No indigent burial applications to be presented to the board this month.

**RESOLUTIONS:**

Mr. Hoessle moved, and Mr. Forster seconded the motion to approve the purchase, not to exceed \$2,500.00, of two benches for the Vietnam War Memorial; motion carried. (*Resolution #038-07-20*)

Mr. Hoessle moved, and Mr. Destro seconded the motion to have a standing Executive Session that starts at 3:30 PM prior to every Board Meeting; motion carried. (*Resolution #039-07-20*)

**SERVICE OFFICER'S REPORT**

**Client data for the month of June:**

- 2 new applicants for financial assistance and 20 old cases for a total of 22 cases.
- 1 ineligible financial assistance application
- 41 Compensation and Pension claims filed with the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA).
- 49 appointments for the month
- 33 van riders
- 385+ phone calls

**OSACVSO, NACVSO & OSACVSC**

**Future Trainings and Funding:**

**CVSO**

- September 15, 2020 – September 18, 2020- OSACVSO Fall School

**CVSC**

- November 20, 2020 – November 22, 2020 – Fall Conference
- March 19, 2021 – March 21, 2021 – Spring Conference

**EVENTS**

**Past:**

- June 14, 2020 – Flag Day & 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday

**Future:**

- August 3, 2020 - Veteran's Day at the Medina County Fair.
- August 15, 2020 – Mr. Hughes 100<sup>th</sup> Birthday

**OTHER**

**Travel:**

- None

**COMMISSIONERS ACTIVITY REPORT**

**Mr. Destro:** Kept books for the Medina County Veterans Memorial Fund, filed tax return for the Medina County Veterans Memorial Fund and filed tax return for Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter #385.

**Mr. Forster:** June: (2nd) VFW & (16<sup>th</sup>) VFW July: (3<sup>rd</sup>) Veterans Day at Medina County Food Court, (7<sup>th</sup>) VFW, (8<sup>th</sup>) American Legion Color Guard and (9<sup>th</sup>) VSO.

**Mr. Grassa:** June: VFW Honor Guard Flag Day, Coalition Meeting, American Legion #202 Meeting, Home Corp Rental Meetings (x2) and Home Corp Meetings (x2) July: Home Corps Meeting, VFW Meeting and VSO Meeting.

**Mr. Hoessle:** VFW #5137: Senior Vice Commander, Boy Scout Troop Advisor for Troop 5137, Building and Grounds, Honor guard and all VFW #5137 meetings (May & June). American Legion #202: Honor Guard, Finance Officer & Adjutant, Buckeye Boys State Trustee, and attended all A.L. #202 meetings (May & June). Medina County Veterans Memorial Hall: Finance Officer and Building and Grounds Medina County "Home Corps": Represent VVA and attended all meetings.

**Mr. Schmidt:** January: VFW Meeting, VSO Meeting, Veterans Coalition Meeting, DAV Meeting, and Marine Corps League Meeting February: VFW Meeting, DAV Meeting, VSO Meeting, Marine Corps League Meeting and attended funeral services for Ralph Waite and participated in Rifle Honors for him.

### **CORRESPONDENCE**

None

### **OLD BUSINESS**

- Reopen safely initiative. Extended through July 30.
- MCPT extended to 30 days past Recorder's Office reopening.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

- CARES Act Money
- Sign VN Info
- Vet owned business
- Executive Session held at 3:30 before the regular meeting.
- East Lawn Cemetery Markers
- Veteran Organization survey going out.

### **CLOSING**

- Time sheets were checked and verified.
- The next regular meeting will be Thursday, August 13, 2020, at 4:00 PM.
- At 4:27 pm there was no further business to come before the board, Mr. Hoessle moved, and Mr. Grassa seconded a motion to adjourn; motion carried.

*Present*

*9/13/2020*

**PRESIDENT** \_\_\_\_\_

**SECRETARY** *H. James Hansen*

**CLERK** *Jana Slonaker*

**DATE** *9/13/2020*