

## **COMMISSION OF VETERANS AFFAIRS**

Gary Boseneiler, Director Mandy Coates, Chairperson JoAnne Downes, Secretary

Larry Hingtgen Bill Blanchard Chad Gerdes

Monthly Meeting Minutes January 15, 2019

Meeting called to order by Coates at 17:00 in conference room 202A, address in footer. Present: Gary Boseneiler, Mandy Coates, JoAnne Downes, Bill Blanchard, Larry Hingtgen, Chad Gerdes & County Board of Supervisor Liaison Pat Heiden. Unless noted, all actions taken unanimously.

- 1. Motion by Hingtgen, second by Downes to approve the December minutes
- 2. Motion by Blanchard, second by Gerdes to approve the December voucher report
- 3. The Commission discussed our utility assistance programs for Veterans in HUDVASH or SSVF
- 4. The Commission discussed the Iowa Veterans Home application process; we will assist after attempt has been made via the applicants respective county, after Iowa residency is verified
- 5. Boseneiler briefed on a few unique cases involving the Low Barrier Shelter, Catastrophic claim from the VAMC, Iowa Veterans Trust Fund, Iowa Legal Aid initiative, and assistance with Thrift Savings Plan withdraw
- 6. The Commission discussed the Memorial plans and will discuss further next month
- 7. Boseneiler provided his 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter Outreach activities report
- 8. Motion by Downes, second by Gerdes to adjourn at 18:20

Recorded by Gary Boseneiler
These minutes will be presented to the Secretary for approval during our February 2019 meeting.

Date:

Secretary or alternate