

Oceana County Department of Veterans Affairs (OCDVA)
Relief and Business Meetings
Meeting Minutes November 10 2023

Business Meeting

The Oceana County Department of Veterans Affairs Business Meeting was called to order at 10:00 A.M. in the Oceana County Annex Room meeting room by Chairperson Tracy Blamer.

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call: Tracy Blamer, Paul Dees Jr, Kim Tate, Ed Dodds

Members Absent: Bob Cramblit, Gina Mead Non-Excused

Guest Present: Tim Beggs County Commissioner

Public Comments: Darrell E. Hansen attended the meeting. He asked the committee for ways to improve the membership in the local veteran organizations. Mr. Hansen also told the committee that he is more than willing to assist the committee with fundraising.

TB informed the committee that GM will continue to serve on the committee. Due to her absence in recent months the committee may take up a vote to remove her from the committee.

Approval of Agenda

Motion to approve agenda by KT

Motion 2nd by ED

Voice vote, Yes 4 No 0

Motion approved

Motion to approve last meeting minutes KT

Motion 2nd by ED

Voice Vote 4 Yes, 0 No

Motion approved

Correspondence: None

Sub-Committee Reports

VSO (Veterans Support Officer) Report

The Van is being used weekly to transport veterans to appointments ect.

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The AA has created a flyer for the breakdown of donations for the Veterans 5K place awards.

The VSO has attended MVAA training at Tree Tops in Gaylord MI. MVAA paid for this event.

MVTF application is on online and will be directly submitted. The VSO and AA have access to this.

Hesperia AL has 10 Thanksgiving baskets available if there is any known veteran in need.

The VSO is also looking for recipients for Christmas boxes.

Veterans Liaison

No report.

Budget and Finance Committee

The VSO briefed the committee.

Personnel Committee

No report

Policy and Procedures

No report

Community Relations

The Veterans Day 5K has tripled the registrations from last year.

Strategic Planning

No report

Chair/Vice

No report

County Commissioners Veterans Liaison

TB briefed the committee on the county. There may be an opportunity for the county to provide the committee with a bigger building.

Old Business

New Business

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RELIEF MEETING

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Claims for Review and Considerations

Claim # 59-23 Veteran is seeking assistance with paying back taxes and back elec bill.

TB makes a motion to pay the bills. Total cost is \$1540.82

Motion 2nd by KT

Voice Vote 4 Yes, 0 No

Motion approved

Claim # 65-23 Veteran is asking for funds to pay for firewood.

The committee has a current balance of \$3100.00.

Approved

Claim # 68-23 Veteran is asking for back tax help. The total is \$1076.58

ED makes a motion to pay the full amount.

Motion 2nd by TB

Voice Vote 4 Yes, 0 No

Motion approved

Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 11:59 by TB.

The next general meeting will be held on December 1st, 2023, in the County Annex Conference Room.

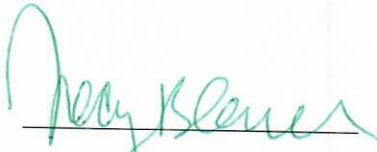
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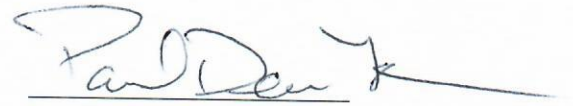
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11:30 AM Veterans Affairs Business Meeting

12:30 PM Veterans Affairs Relief Meeting


Tracy Blamer Chairperson


Paul Dees Jr Secretary