



VETERANS ASSISTANCE COMMISSION OF LAKE COUNTY EXECUTIVE BOARD

MEETING MINUTES

Meeting start time and location

- 9:30 AM
- VACL, Gurnee

Members Present

- Nick Konz, Andrew Tangen, John DeReu, Tom Marciciak, Allan Ayers, Larry Klauser, Paul Baumunk, George Gandara

Members of the Public

- None present

Motion to Approve Previous Minutes

- Motion made to approve the Minutes from September made by Delegate DeReu
- Motion seconded by Delegate Baumunk
- Motion passed

NFP Expense Report

- Currently \$52,243.59 in NFP account for September 2023
 - Deposits of \$50.00 and \$1,500.00
- Motion made to approve Expense Report by Delegate Ayers
- Motion seconded by Delegate Marciciak
- Motion passed

President's Remarks

- No Remarks

Superintendents Report

- Budget Approval Update
 - 2024 Budget was approved
- FHCC offices update – The space is up and running, we plan to be on-site December 2023
 - Plan initially to have one service officer there initially, gradually adding staff
 - October 20 we will receive keys
 - Superintendent Tangen and Assistant Superintendent Murray are discussing getting a banner placed on the quarterdeck



- Superintendent Performance Appraisal – presented
- IACVAC Conference – SVSOs McNerney and Padoan were instructors at the annual September conference
 - Allen Lynch was a guest speaker
 - VFW State liaison to IACVAC, Doug Jameson – Email with his contact will be coming, created by the VFW, Commander in talks about creating VACs. Our representation to Veterans is getting noticed. There is growth of eight new VACs. There are 47 VACs out of 102 counties in Illinois
- Superintendent to Washington, DC – Support the CVSO Act to pass federal funding. NACo supports this Act to increase veterans benefits
- Special Use Permit – We are going to the GVB for approval, November 20, 2023, closing date has changed
 - Special Use Permit need to pass before the closing last week of November 2023
 - Planning Zoning meeting is November 1, 2023, at 7:30pm
 - Special Use Permit fee of \$1,000.00 was waived
 - NFP check for \$25.00 needed before noon on October 13, 2023 to pay processin fees to the Village of Gurnee
- Motion to accept the Superintendent Report made by Delegate Marciciak
- Motion seconded by Delegate Gandara
- Motion passed

Unfinished Business

- Nothing to report

Old/New Business

- Delegate DeReu handed out FHCC flyer that streamlines calls
- Delegate DeReu discussed the Compact Act that allows Vets to go to a civilian doctor who directly bills the VA for PTSD care
- President Konz advised that RSV vaccines need a referral due to the limited supply

Report by Officers

- President Konz – Attended 3 memorials in the area that recognized veterans and placed headstone on their graves
- Delegate Baumunk – Elderwerks book is available through our office
- Delegate Ayers – November newsletter is being created, get Veterans' Day requests to him
- Delegate DeReu – MOVAA meeting is October 28, 2023
- Delegate Marciciak – Nothing to report
- Delegate Gandara – Israel conflict assistance discussed and Superintendent Tangen referred him to the Jewish American War Veterans
- Delegate Klauser – Nothing to report



Motion to adjourn

- Motion to adjourn made by Delegate Ayers
- Motion to adjourn seconded by Delegate Baumunk-
- Motion passed
- Meeting adjourned at 10:30am

Next Executive Board Meeting will be held on November 15, 2023 at the American Legion Post in Gurnee, IL