

**MINUTES OF MEETING
VETERANS ASSISTANCE COMMISSION
BOARD
FOR
June 25, 2024**

1. Call to Order
2. Opening Ceremony – Pledge of Allegiance – Post Colors
3. Prayer
4. Roll call of Officers
 - David Allen** (MCL) Chair
 - MCL 1253 - Rich Kuyper (excused)
 - DAV 34 - **Ed Peters**
 - AL 1164 – **Larry Blanchette, Mark Straughn**
 - AL 1019 – **Jim Wasser**, Karl Fitzgerald (absent)
 - AL 408 – Nic Smith(absent), **Mark Warpet**
 - AL 755 - Dan Horton (excused), **Joe Gaca**
 - AL 766 – **Wayne Burgess**, Corey Norton (excused)
 - AL 795 – Dennis Pankey (excused)
 - AL 85 – **John McGarey**, Daniel Guimond (excused)
 - AmVets 107 - **Tom Page**, Tony Just (excused)
 - VFW 9961 **Manny Quinto, Michael Lockwood**
 - VFW 2857 - Roger Bean (excused), Nick Monacelli (absent)
 - VFW 7535 – **Raymond Jacobsen**, Dennis Horn
 - Office staff: Michael Peeken, Karen Smietanski, Ashley Appleton, Chris Senesac
 - Guests: Jerie Clausen
5. Public Comment **Mark Warpet**
6. Reading & Approval of the minutes of the May Commission Meeting
 - A motion was made by Mike Lockwood, 2nd by Manny Quinto to approve Minutes. Motion Carried.
7. Approval of Veterans Financial Assistance and Financial Claims
 - A motion was made by Manny Quinto, 2nd by Larry Blanchette to approve all Financial business. Motion carried.
8. Report of Committee
 - Motion to go into Closed Executive session was made by Tom Page, 2nd Wayne Burgess. Motion Carried.
 - Budget Discussion for review. Budget will be voted on next meeting.
 - Motion to come out of Closed Executive session was made by Mark Warpet, 2nd by Larry Blanchette. Motion Carried
 - Motion to approve the Budget Committee Minutes by Ed Peters, 2nd Jim Wasser. Motion Carried.
9. Approval of Office Report
 - Mr. Peeken discussed the office report. A motion was made by Ed Peters, 2nd by Tom Page to approve the office report. Motion carried.
10. Old Business
 - Discussed the Grant Bus
 - Jim Wasser asked for an update on the Washington St Veteran’s Supportive Living Facility. Karen has been working with housing authority but has received any updates lately.
11. New Business
12. Retire Colors
13. Adjourn – A motion was made Jim Wasser, 2nd by Ed Peters to adjourn. Motion carried.