

**MINUTES OF MEETING  
VETERANS ASSISTANCE COMMISSION  
BOARD  
FOR  
February 25, 2025**

1. Call to Order
2. Opening Ceremony – Pledge of Allegiance – Post Colors
3. Prayer (moment of silence for Dick Campbell)
4. Roll call of Officers
  - David Allen** (MCL) Chair
  - MCL 1253 - **Rich Kuyper**
  - DAV 34 – **Ed Peters**, Mike Peeken (absent)
  - AL 1164 – Larry Blanchette (excused), **Mark Straughn**
  - AL 1019 – Jim Wasser (absent), **Karl Fritzgerald**
  - AL 408 – Nic Smith (excused), **Mark Warpet**
  - AL 755 - **Dan Horton**, Joe Gaca (excused)
  - AL 766 – **Wayne Burgess**, Corey Norton (absent)
  - AL 795 – Dennis Pankey (absent)
  - AL 85 – **John McGarey**, Daniel Guimond (absent)
  - AmVets 107 - **Tom Page**, Tony Just (excused)
  - VFW 9961 **Manny Quinto**, Michael Lockwood (excused)
  - VFW 2857 - Roger Bean (excused), **Nick Monacelli**
  - VFW 7535 – **Raymond Jacobsen**, **Dennis Horn**
  - NABVETS – Sam Peyton
  - Office staff: Karen Smietanski, Chris Senesac, Ashley Appleton, Eric Peterson,
  - Guests: Jim Grimes, Willie Berry
5. Public Comment - none
6. Reading & Approval of the minutes of the Commission Meetings
  - A motion was made by Ed P, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Manny Q. to approve Minutes. Motion Carried.
7. Approval of Veterans Financial Assistance and Financial Claims
  - A motion was made by Mark W, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Wayne B. to approve all Financial business. Motion carried.
8. Report of committees – None
9. Approval of Office Report
  - The office report was reviewed and discussed. A motion was made by Tom P, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ed P. to approve the office report. Motion carried.
10. Old Business
  - Meeting with Steve McCarty is March 6
11. New Business
12. Retire Colors
13. Adjourn – A motion was made Mark W., 2<sup>nd</sup> by Wayne B. to adjourn. Motion carried.