

**MINUTES OF MEETING OF EXECUTIVE BOARD
VETERANS ASSISTANCE COMMISSION
FOR
October 27, 2020**

1. Call to Order
2. Opening Ceremony – Pledge of Allegiance – Post Colors
3. Prayer
4. Roll call of Officers
Stanley Olenjack, Bruce Wood, Mike Pitts, Tom Page, Ken Brooks, Mike Peeken, David Allen, Rich Kuyper, Donald Anderson
5. Public Comment
6. Reading & Approval of the minutes of the Executive Board August
A motion was made by Mike Pitts, 2nd by Don Anderson to approve the August Minutes. Motion Carried.
7. Go into Executive session to review claims and hear appeals as per 5 ILCS 120/2 ©(4)
A motion was made by Rich Kuyper, 2nd by Bruce Wood to go into executive session. Motion carried.
8. Motion to come out of Executive session
A motion was made by Don Anderson, 2nd by Dave Allen to come out of executive session. Motion carried.
9. Approval of Sept & Oct Veterans Financial Assistance Claims
A motion was made by Mike Pitts, 2nd by Rich Kuyper to approve the July and August Financial Assistance Claims. Motion carried.
10. Approval of June & July reports
A motion was made by Mike Pitts, 2nd by Ken Brooks to approve the June and July reports. Motion Carried.
11. Office Report
Karen went over the office report highlights. A motion was made by Don Anderson, 2nd by Rich Kuyper to approve the office report. Motion carried.
12. Old Business
13. New Business
*Stan suggested that with the upcoming holidays and winter weather – and of course the uptick in cases, that the board move its next scheduled meeting for December out to January. A motion was made by Ken Brooks, 2nd by Dave Allen to move the next meeting to January and have Karen send out office reports to the board for the next two months. Motion Carried.
*Karen suggested that with the pandemic that there still needs to be a way to honor Veterans on Veterans day. Her suggestion is to have just a simple ceremony at the Manteno Veteran Home with the color guard and rifle squad to be live streamed into the veterans home and on Facebook for anyone wanting to be a part of the ceremony. Everyone present thought the ceremony should happen and plans will be made. AL of St. George to be rifle squad. MCL to be the color guard. Tim to sing. Stan has someone to speak. Ken will do unknown soldier. Dave to do the Face to the East.
*Karen discussed the Levy increase from County. Proposed 3.6% increase to \$251246.
*VFW will get up Christmas food baskets. So far no one has volunteered food basket for Thanksgiving, but suggested to contact Stan Bobka MCL to see if they can help. Karen will reach out to the Faford Freedom riders to see if they are.
14. Retire Colors
15. Adjourn – A motion was made by Don Anderson, 2nd by Rich Kuyper to adjourn. Motion carried.