

**MINUTES OF MEETING OF EXECUTIVE BOARD
VETERANS ASSISTANCE COMMISSION
FOR
September 26th, 2023**

1. Call to Order
2. Opening Ceremony – Pledge of Allegiance – Post Colors
3. Prayer
4. Roll call of Officers
 - David Allen** (MCL) Chair, **Stan Bobka** Vice Chair,
 - MCL 1253 – Guest: Joe Mayfield
 - DAV 34 - D: **Stan Olenjack** A-Ed Peters (excused)
 - AL 1164 – D: **Larry Blanchette**, A- **Tim Rehmer**
 - AL 1019 – D: **Karl Fritzgerald** A – Jim Wasser (absent)
 - AL 408 – D- **Nic Smith** A-Mark Louis Warpet (absent)
 - AL 755 – D: **Dan Horton** A: Joe Gaca (absent)
 - AL 766 – D: **Wayne Burgess**
 - AL 85 – D: **Mike Pitts**
 - AmVets 107 – D: **Tom Page** A: Richard Van Pelt (absent)
 - VFW 9961 – Manny Quinto (absent) A: **Tom Nelson**
 - VFW 2857 - D: Roger Bean (excused) A: Nick Monacelli (absent) Guest: Mike Lockwood
 - Office staff: Mike Peeken, Superintendent, Karen Smietanski, Ashley Appleton, Amanda Sadler
 - Guests:
5. Public Comment
6. Reading & Approval of the minutes of the August Commission Meeting
 - A motion was made by Mike Pitts, 2nd by Nic Smith to approve Minutes. Motion Carried.
7. Go into Executive Session to review claims and as per 5 ILCS 120/2 ©(2)
 - A motion was made by Nic Smith, 2nd Stan Olenjack to go into Executive Session. Motion carried.
8. Motion to come out of Executive Session
 - A motion was made Mike Pitts, 2nd by Nic Smith to come out of Executive Session. Motion carried.
9. Approval of Veterans Financial Assistance and Financial Claims
 - A motion was made by Stan Olenjack, 2nd by Mike Pitts to approve all Financial Business. Motion carried.
10. Report of Committee
 - none
11. Approval of Office Report September
 - The office report was discussed. A motion was made by Mike Pitts, 2nd by Stan Olenjack to approve the office report. Motion carried.
12. Old Business
 - Bylaws were moved to next month. We are waiting on attorney comments again. Discussion on Del & Alt as well as some errors found in the current. Making consistency in words like board and commission.
13. New Business
 - Discussion of putting a flag disposal mail box at the VAC new office. Getting permission from the landlord and also a pod to store it in. Mike P asked that donations be made to PHAT because the guy who painted mailbox didn't want any money and suggested the donations be made to PHAT.
14. Retire Colors
15. Adjourn – A motion was made by Mike Pitts, 2nd by Tom Nelson to adjourn. Motion carried.