

**MINUTES MEETING OF EXECUTIVE BOARD
VETERANS ASSISTANCE COMMISSION
April 23, 2019
6:00 P.M.**

1. Call to Order
2. Opening Ceremony – Pledge of Allegiance (Posting colors)
3. Roll call of Officers
Stan Olenjack, Ed Peters, Mike Pitts, Bruce Wood, Mike Peeken, Rich Kuyper, David Allen, Donald Anderson, Nick Monacelli, Tom Page, Lawrence Agyei
4. Public Comment
5. Reading & Approval of the minutes of the executive board Mar 26
-After a review of the Executive Board minutes, a motion was made by Mike Pitts, 2nd by Rich Kuyper to approve the minutes. There was no further discussion, upon unanimous vote, motion carried.
6. Go into Executive session to review claims and hear appeals as per 5 ILCS 120/2 ©(4)
-A motion to go into closed Executive Session was made by Ed Peters, 2nd by Don Anderson. Upon unanimous vote, Motion Carried. During Ex Session, appeal was heard.
7. Motion to come out of Executive session
-A motion come out of closed Executive Session was made David Allen, 2nd by Tom Page. Upon unanimous vote, motion Carried. More discussion followed and Executive session was necessary again. Per 5 ILCS 120/2 ©(4) A motion was made by David Allen, 2nd by Rich Kuyper to go back into Ex Session. After further discussion of appeal, a motion was made by Rich Kuyper, 2nd by Ed Peters to come out of Ex Session. There was no further discussion, upon unanimous vote, motion carried.
8. Approval of the March Veterans Financial Assistance Claims
-A motion was made by Mike Pitts as follows, seconded by David Allen on the appeals claim heard. “Veteran shall be granted partial assistance monthly of \$200 extending his time off full financial assistance. This assistance of \$200 is contingent on you receiving assistance at Catholic Charities Community Care Programs and Money Management Program. You need to call Amanda at Catholic Charities at 815-933-7791 extension 9918 to set up an intake and go over the Community Care Program (CCP) and be referred to the Money Management Program (MMP). Upon completion of intake and assessment, the VACKC will pay \$200 towards your April rent. Upon the continuation of assistance from CCP & MMP, you will continue to receive the \$200 through February of next year. At which time you will in February 2020 be entitled to \$289. In March 2020 you will be entitled to the full benefit. This will all be contingent on your income levels staying the same as they are. If they go up or down from now until February of 2020, this could change the outcome of all of the above.” No further discussion,, upon unanimous vote, motion carried.
-A motion to approve the March Financial Assistance Claims was made by Ed Peters, 2nd by Rich Kuyper. With no further discussion, upon unanimous vote, motion Carried.
9. Report of Committees
None
10. Old Business
Vetpro was discussed. Earlier in the year Karen presented a new management system for veterans. Vetpro is now offering half off the systems per user. The VAC staff did a demo and all seemed in favor of migrating to new system. A quote was presented to the Ex Brd with mailing. A motion was made by Mike Pitts, 2nd by David Allen to approve moving forward with the new Vetpro system. There was no further discussion, upon unanimous vote, motion carried.
11. New Business
12. Retire the Colors
13. Adjourn
-A motion to adjourn was made by David Allen, 2nd by Ed Peters, with no further business before the Executive Board, upon unanimous vote, motion carried.