

**MINUTES OF MEETING
VETERANS ASSISTANCE COMMISSION
BOARD
FOR
July 22, 2025**

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 – **Willie Berry**
 - DAV 34 – **Ken Brooks, Mike Peeken**
 - AL 1164 – **Mark Straughn, Jim Grimes**
 - AL 1019 – **Carey Hall, Jim Wasser**
 - AL 408 – **Nic Smith, Mark Warpet**
 - AL 755 - **Dan Horton, Joe Gaca**
 - AL 766 – **Wayne Burgess, Corey Norton** (absent)
 - AL 795 – **Dennis Pankey, Tim Cmielowicz** (absent)
 - AL 85 – John McGarey (excused), Daniel Guimond (absent)
 - AmVets 107 - Tom Page (excused), Tony Just (absent)
 - VFW 9961 **Manny Quinto, Michael Lockwood** (absent)
 - VFW 2857 - **Roger Bean, Nick Monacelli** (absent)
 - VFW 7535 – **Raymond Jacobsen, Dennis Horn**
 - Office staff: Karen Smietanski, Chris Senesac, Eric Peterson,
 - Guests: Fritz Fritzgerald, Jason Diaz, Joshua Herman
5. Public Comment -
6. Reading & Approval of the minutes of the Commission Meetings (joint approval for both minutes)
 - A motion was made by Jim Wasser, 2nd by Nic Smith to approve Minutes. Motion Carried.
7. Approval of Veterans Financial Assistance and Financial Claims
 - A motion was made by Ken Brooks, 2nd by Nic Smith 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 Ken Brooks, 2nd by Willie Berry to approve the office report. Motion carried.
10. Old Business
11. New Business
12. Go into executive session to discuss specific personnel performance and employment.
 - A motion was made by Ken Brooks, Second by Nic Smith to go into executive session. Motion Carried.
 - A motion was made by Ken Brooks, Second by Manny Quinto to come out of executive session.
 - Motion carried.
13. Retire Colors
14. Adjourn – A motion was made Ken Brooks, 2nd by Jim Wasser to adjourn. Motion carried.