Minutes of Veterans Affairs Commission January 12, 2022

The meeting called to order at 4:30 p.m. in the small meeting room. Members present were:

Robin Housley Stephen Wheeler Chair, Greg Bell Bill VanWaes

Absent: Mike Male on vacation

Minutes of the December 15, 2021 meeting were read. Commissioner Wheeler made the motion to accept, Commissioner VanWaes seconded. Approved by all present.

January reports were reviewed.

Old business: A budget presentation overview was given. The Administrator informed the Commissioners that during the presentation that the allocation line item was talked about regarding the \$5,000 line and the need to discuss that when the time comes. Everything went well.

New Business: Veterans Day on the Hill is January 19th. The Administrator shared the flyer and this year's initiatives. Discussion was held regarding the tiered property tax exemption concept and how that help Iowa's Veterans. Commissioner Wheeler asked how this day worked as he is new to this. Discussion was held as to the ceremony and what the intent on the day is.

The Administrator discussed the Washington, DC trip on Sunday, February 20-25th. The airline ticket cost \$22 more than the credit we had from last year's trip that was cancelled. The room reservations are done. The Administrator is holding back on purchasing the tumblers with the allocation money to ensure we have enough money in the budget to cover this trip and spring school training.

Next Commissioner meeting will be held on February 9, 2022 at 4:30 p.m. The meeting adjourned at 5:00 p.m. Motion made by Commissioner VanWaes, seconded by Commissioner Housley. Motion carried.

Patricia Hamann, Administrator