## Minutes of Veterans Affairs Commission October 19, 2022

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

Bill VanWaes Robin Housley Stephen Wheeler Mike Male

Greg Bell absent

Minutes of the September 7, 2022 meeting were read. Commissioner VanWaes made the motion to accept, Commissioner Male seconded. Approved by all present.

October reports were reviewed. Reports were approved.

Old business: Outreach event was discussed. There wasn't a very large turnout, the Administrator had already met with around 20 Veterans prior to the event. However we signed 1 Veteran up for health care, addressed another person's health care issue and have appointments with 1 Veteran, 1 widow to file claims. That in itself makes the event a positive.

Fall school was discussed. The Commissioners liked the topics discussed. They also liked that the Iowa Veterans Cemetery people were there to give a presentation. We are hoping by next year there is a Commandant at the Iowa Veteran's Home so they can present.

New business: The Administrator let the Commission know that we are tentatively scheduled for our FY 23/24 budget hearing on Tuesday, January 10<sup>th</sup>. Right now we are scheduled at 10:15 a.m. The official schedule hasn't been sent out yet.

The Administrator asked what things we would like to use the allocation money for. Now that our event is over, it didn't cost much, we have quite a bit left to do something. The Administrator would like to look at purchasing new Quick Books that include the new PACT ACT information. The Commission agreed that those would be a good purchase. We are also almost out of pens and mugs which are great advertisement for the office. The Administrator will at into all of the items discussed. The Quick Books might not be available yet since the regulations have not been finalized, but they might be able to give us a quote with those new additions.

Next Commissioner meeting will be held on November 9, 2022 at 4:30 p.m. Motion made by Commissioner VanWaes, seconded by Commissioner Wheeler. Motion carried to adjourn at 5:05 p.m.

Patricia Hamann, Administrator